

Regional School Unit 1

34 Wing Farm Parkway, Bath, ME 04530

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Dear RSU 1 Staff and Families,

We have learned that three siblings who attend both Dike Newell and Fisher Mitchell School have recently tested positive for COVID-19. Staff and students are not considered "close contacts," and there is no need for contact tracing or quarantining because of the time that passed between the individuals being at school and becoming symptomatic.

We are sharing this with all RSU 1 staff and families out of an abundance of caution. Upon learning of the confirmed positive tests, we implemented our response protocol. We must follow privacy laws and protect the confidentiality interests of every student and staff member, while also ensuring that we are protecting the health and well-being of all members of our school community. We are committed to keeping our students and staff safe and appreciate our working relationship with the Maine Department of Education, Maine CDC, and school physician, Dr. Amina Hanna.

Questions can be directed to the Dike Newell nurse, Dawn Dill, by calling 443-8285 or emailing ddill@rsu1.org or the Fisher Mitchell nurse, Ricki Waltz, by calling 443-8265 or emailing ewaltz@rsu1.org. For general COVID-19 questions, dial 211 (or 1-866-811-5695). You can also text your ZIP code to 898-211 or email info@211maine.org. Call a health care provider for any questions you have about your symptoms. More information can be found at www.maine.gov/dhhs/coronavirus or www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.

Sincerely,

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