

Valley

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Valley School District Community,

January 15, 2020

I am writing to inform you that a student who attends **Valley Middle School** has recently had close contact with an individual who has COVID-19. The student is self-quarantining at home, has displayed no symptoms of the virus and has not tested positive for the virus. Due to privacy laws, we cannot disclose further information about the student. Whenever a person has recently had close contact with a person with COVID-19, they must quarantine and may not return until they meet the CDC's criteria for return to school—which currently provides that the individual should stay home for 10 days after his/her last contact with the person who has COVID-19.

The local health department has been notified of this situation. Based on guidance from the health department and other agencies, **All buildings** have been deeply sanitized and they will **not be closed**. District employees and students should continue to follow CDC guidelines and recommendations, and should continue to practice social distancing.

As a precaution, we encourage you to monitor your health, follow CDC guidelines, and contact your doctor if you develop COVID-19 symptoms.

The District is continuing to monitor this situation. We will provide additional information when permissible. We hope our student remains well.

Sincerely,

Superintendent

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