



Pine River Area Schools

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Dear School Community,

Yesterday, the health department confirmed one additional School Associated Case of COVID-19 in a student or staff person in our school district. As of today, this means we have 25 staff and students in quarantine from yesterday's confirmed case. We are closely monitoring numbers and working hard to continue the recently reauthorized face-to-face instruction.

As a reminder, the Board recently took action to create some additional "hybrid" Wednesdays, half-days; the next of which are February 17, March 3, and March 24. This is an effort to provide consistency to students in quarantine and produce a time where teachers can reach out to these families and develop additional resources. These days are to be used by teachers as a way to better partner with students and families and increase communication about academics and social-emotional needs.

We continue to work closely with the Central Michigan District Health Department and District 10 Health Department to identify Close Contacts of all School Associated Cases of COVID-19. Anyone identified as a Close Contact will be notified by the health department as a part of the COVID-19 investigation process. School officials are also making phone calls. Please answer the phone if the health department contacts you, as a contact tracer may be trying to reach you with important information.

Thank you for understanding that, due to medical privacy laws, we are not able to release the names of the individuals with COVID-19. We will continue to communicate changes and updates with you. With your participation, we believe we can maintain a safe environment while also providing quality education.

If you have any questions, contact Central Michigan District Health Department, Osceola County office at 231-832-5532. For answers to your COVID-19 questions, please call the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services COVID-19 Hotline at 888-535-6136 or visit Michigan.gov/coronavirus.

Sincerely,

Matt Lukshaitis, Superintendent