

## **Tuxedo Union Free School District**

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## Dear Tuxedo Community:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Tuxedo UFSD was notified today of an individual at **George F. Baker High School (Grades 6-12)** who has tested positive for COVID-19. Due to HIPAA, we are legally prohibited from disclosing any personally identifiable information about the individual or family.

As with all confirmed cases, the Orange County Department of Health will investigate and identify through contact tracing protocols any individual who had close contact (direct or proximate) with the positive individual. Any staff member or parent/guardian of a child who has been exposed has already been notified of this exposure and directed to quarantine by the school nurse.

It is important to remember that all of our classrooms and shared spaces where people congregate are cleaned regularly throughout the school day, and deep cleaned and sanitized at the end of each school day.

All Tuxedo UFSD students and staff are required to complete the daily COVID-19 Mandated Screening Questionnaire and self-monitor for symptoms; following CDC guidance if symptoms develop.

We cannot emphasize enough that parents, students, and staff members must be just as vigilant following the public health guidance outside of school, including limiting group gatherings, practicing good hygiene, wearing masks, and following social distance guidelines.

As always, the health and safety of students and employees is our top priority. We appreciate your continued support.

Sincerely,

Nicole Scariano Superintendent of Schools, IA