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We are continuing to see positive cases; however, we also have some good news. Some of our positive cases have completed their quarantine time and have returned to school. As a reminder, anyone who tests positive can only return to school if he/she meets the following criteria: ten days have passed after symptom onset or positive test, AND no fever, AND reduction in general symptoms. We evaluate everyone upon return to assess these criteria.

In looking for general trends, we are seeing multiple members of families test positive. While these are only trends, they are worth noting. Should an immediate family member test positive, it may benefit your family greatly to separate from them if you are able to do so.

Currently

- Reminder—if a case returns to school after meeting all criteria, they are removed from the active case count.
- High School—We have 3 student cases since our last update; 10 total active student cases; Juniors (5), Sophomore (3), and freshmen (2). We have 1 additional employee case for a total of 2 Active cases.
- Junior High—We have <u>7 student cases since our last update</u>; <u>15 total active student cases</u>: 8th graders (3); 7th graders (2); 6th graders (10). We have 1 additional employee case a for total of 3 active employee cases.
- Intermediate currently has no confirmed cases
- Elementary—We have <u>4 cases since our last update</u>; <u>7 total active student cases</u>: Pk (1), kinder (2), 1st grade (1), 2nd (2), 3rd (1). We have 2 additional employee cases for a total of 3.
- NOTES—we do our best to make numbers match with campus letters but again sometimes a campus can confirm more quickly than we can at district office.

We will continue to update you on information as we get it. We are also aware that guidance continually changes from TEA. We continue to process and communicate this guidance to you as well. I would like to thank our teachers and staff as they continue to work through issues of health and safety AND do their primary love: teaching children. I also want to thank our medical response staff as they work through issues to help with safety as well. Finally thank you to our families for communicating with us during this time. We look forward to the day when these issues will no longer impact us.

Regardless of your plans for the Labor Day weekend, I pray that you and your family can have a safe and memorable time. We will continue to address issues and work to keep your children as safe as we are able to do.

In Bulldog Pride