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We begin this update with some good news. We have had many more students return to classes. Best of all, we have had only 2 additional student cases reported since our last update. We believe that we will see ebb and flow while dealing with this pandemic. However, we appreciate the efforts of our families and our staff in trying to monitor students and keep them safe.

As a reminder from our update earlier this week, if anyone in your home has been confirmed with Covid, please actively monitor your students and keep them home if they have <u>any</u> symptoms. We believe chances are very high that once a case occurs in your home, it will spread if you are unable to break close contact. We can do a much better job of containing cases if students who aren't feeling well are kept home for monitoring, even if only for a day or two. It will also be of help if you utilize rapid testing at home should your child not be feeling well. We do not require you to test and realize that testing can be cost prohibitive, but to help control our cases we do recommend you consider it when possible.

Currently

- High School—We have <u>0</u> student cases since our last update; <u>6</u> total active student cases; Juniors (1), Sophomore (2), and freshmen (3). We have 0 additional employee cases for a total of 0 active employee case.
- Junior High—We have <u>0</u> student cases since our last update; <u>11</u> total active student cases: 8th graders (1); 7th graders (3); 6th graders (7). We have 0 additional employee case a for total of 0 active employee cases.
- Intermediate—We have 1 student cases since our last update; 3 total active student cases: 4th grade (2) and 5th grade (1). We have 0 employee cases.
- Elementary—We have <u>1 case since our last update</u>; <u>4 total active student cases</u>: Pk (1), kinder (0), 1st grade (1), 2nd (2), 3rd (0). We have 0 additional employee cases for a total of 0 active employee cases.
- NOTES—Our active cases have decreased since last update as more students clear return protocols.

We will continue to keep you updated but we hope that the good trends we are seeing continue. Please continue to stress good hygiene to your students.

On a different note, we also take a moment to remember that this weekend is the anniversary of September 11. To any who had a direct connection with the events of that day, we remember you in our thoughts and prayers. For the many who have connection as first responders, military members, or others who step into similar situations, you are also in our thoughts and prayers.

In Bulldog Pride