

COOPERSTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Dear Cooperstown Central School District,

On September 9th and 10th, we were informed that one student in the Elementary School tested positive for COVID-19. We have consulted with the Otsego County Department of Health regarding this case. A total of fifteen students, both elementary and junior/senior high school, are in quarantine because of the exposure on the school bus. Students can return on either September 20th or 21st. The classes will continue with in-person instruction.

As always, the safety and health of our students and staff are the top priority. We continue to work to support our students, families, and employees during this difficult time and appreciate your cooperation. What we are learning through these experiences with positive cases and potential positive cases is the importance of our health protocols such as wearing masks and maintaining physical distance. These protocols are making a difference and limiting exposure. Good hygiene practices such as frequent hand washing remain important steps, we all can take to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

If you have any questions regarding the COVID-19 virus, please visit or call the Otsego County Health Department at

https://www.otesgocounty.com/departments/d-m/health_department/covid19.php

We know this time may be stressful for employees, students, and families. If you feel the need to talk to someone, New York State has established a new Mental Health hotline at 1-844-863-9314. Employees have access to resources provided by Cooperstown Central School District from the Employee Assistance Program. The confidential hotline is 800-252-4555.

Thank you for your patience and partnership as we work through this challenging time.

Sincerely,

Sarah Spross

Superintendent of Schools