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Notice to Families and Staff,

*Please find below a statement from Galesburg-Augusta Community School District and Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Department regarding the recent COVID-19 positive tests.*

Today Galesburg-Augusta Community School District learned of one student and one staff at the Primary School, one staff at the Middle School, and eleven students and two staff at the High School who tested positive for COVID-19. We have identified those who are considered close contacts and followed the updated MDHHS protocols for quarantining.

We have determined that seven out of the eleven above mentioned high school students who tested positive for COVID-19 are members of our boys varsity basketball team. A basketball coach has also tested positive. As this is considered an outbreak, the district has been consulting with the health department to ensure we are taking proper precautions to ensure no further spread.

Please also be aware it was reported that one of the students who tested positive this weekend attended the basketball game on Friday, January 14th. The students sat in the student section at the game. Please keep this in mind and be sure to monitor for symptoms if yourself or a child was sitting in the student section at Friday's game.

Total COVID-19 positive cases per building, staff, students, and the district totals are available on our website under "[COVID-19 Dashboard](#)."

**PLEASE, if your child is ill, keep them home and get them tested as soon as possible.**

*Reported symptoms include cold-like symptoms, such as runny/stuffy nose, fever, sore throat, muscle pain, chills, new loss of taste or smell, feeling out of breath, and cough.*

We need to stress how important it is that parents ask their student(s) each day if they have any symptoms. If your child has any symptoms of COVID-19, they should be kept home, and the parent or guardian should contact their child's Primary Care Physician. **This will reduce the risk of spread in school, among athletic teams, and keep others from being quarantined.**

If you would like more information on the new quarantine/isolation guidelines, please see the Covid-19 Information page on our district website at [www.g-aschools.org](http://www.g-aschools.org).

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