January 26, 2022

Greetings Jackhammer Families:

Out of an abundance of caution and for transparency, I need to inform you we have had one person test positive for COVID-19 at Tonopah Elementary School. All positive cases are currently in quarantine status. Please recall the expectation we have for families to self-monitor for symptoms. Do not send a student to school if they are experiencing a fever or other symptoms outlined by the CDC associated with COVID-19.

Please know that NCSD takes the safety and health of our students and staff extremely seriously, and we follow the CDC guidelines in regards to whom we specifically notify and to whom we quarantine for a period of time. We are going above and beyond in following the CDC guidelines in an abundance of caution with our goal of keeping everyone safe while at the same time keeping our schools open for our students. NCSD is prohibited by federal law from revealing the identity of the individual.  A close contact is someone within six feet for a collective 15 minutes.

If the school has not directly contacted you, you have not been identified as an individual with a close contact. All others may be considered a low-risk exposure, similar to an exposure in the community (e.g., shopping, gathering, events.)

Tonopah Schools is continuing to limit the risk to others by cleaning and disinfecting the entire school. Out of an abundance of caution and transparency, we are notifying all students and staff of the following:

While low-risk exposure does not require a test, any family may seek community testing at the available sites in our community.  It is important to be mindful to continue pre-screening for any symptoms and possible community contact.

If any students are participating in outside activities, they are asked to be diligent in following current, best-practiced mitigation methods for the safety of our school and students.

NCSD reminds everyone that if they have symptoms (i.e., fever, cough, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, vomiting, nausea, diarrhea, increasing congestion, runny nose, new loss of taste or smell, or shortness of breath) to stay home.

Sincerely,

Melinda Jeffrey

Principal