

August 28, 2020

Dear Parents,

In an effort to keep you informed on the health status of our district, we will be reporting weekly on any positive cases of COVID-19 within our schools and any exposure to positive cases. While we hope we can avoid any more positive cases in our community, we expect to have a few students or staff exposed to COVID during this time, and they will be asked to quarantine as per the Oklahoma County of Health guidelines. Remember, an exposure is not the same as a positive case.

***It is important to keep in mind that any instance when your child has been exposed to a COVID positive person, you will be notified immediately.*** This report is only to make you aware of the overall incidents within our district. With each incident, and on other occasions, we are consulting with the Oklahoma County - City Health Department.

During this last week, we are aware of a support staff at the high school and an elementary student testing positive. The family of each student that was in contact and possibly exposed to these individuals has been notified. If you have not received notification of exposure, we (in consultation with OCCHD) do not believe your child has been exposed.

We are following CDC guidelines and protocols set by the State Department of Health and our school district to decrease potential spread. The use of masks is critical to this cause. Also, we have limited the contact time and provided social distancing whenever possible.

Should your child/children start exhibiting COVID related symptoms, it is strongly recommended that you contact their primary care physician or the local health department to have them tested immediately. Also, if anyone in your home is experiencing symptoms, ***PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL*** until it is certain they have not been exposed or have quarantined the appropriate amount of time. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your child's principal.

Sincerely,

Carl Johnson, Ph.D.  
Superintendent  
Jones Public Schools