

GARY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 132 BOBCAT TRAIL GARY, TEXAS, 75643 (903) 685-2291

August 31, 2020

Dear Bobcat Family,

On August 31, 2020 the district was informed that a 9th grade student and a secondary school staff member had tested positive for COVID-19. Both the student and staff member were last on campus on Wednesday, August 26. Both were screened on that day and had zero symptoms to report. On Friday evening, the student displayed symptoms and was tested on August 29. The student received a positive result and notified the school on August 30. The staff member displayed symptoms on August 30 and received a positive confirmation on August 31.

Based on the information that we have gathered, it has been determined that the end of the 14-day incubation period for anyone possibly exposed on campus to the student and staff member is **September 10, 2020**. We have directly notified all staff and students who may have had contact with the student and staff member. We are asking that these individuals continue to monitor for symptoms and seek immediate treatment if any occur.

We have cleaned and disinfected the areas and equipment used by the student and staff member. We will continue to enforce safety and hygiene requirements such as health screening, wearing masks when unable to social distance, frequent hand washing, using hand sanitizer, and social distancing when feasible.

We ask that all parents continue to screen your children at home before sending them to school. If your child has any symptoms, please contact your physician and your campus principal.

Gary ISD's priority remains the safety and well-being of our students and staff. Our thoughts and prayers are with our Bobcat student and staff member as we all hope for a speedy recovery.

Sincerely, *Todd Greer* Superintendent