



Portsmouth City School District
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Date: October 1, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian:

You are being notified because a student who attends Portsmouth Elementary has recently had close contact with an individual who has COVID-19. Whenever a person has recently had close contact with a person with COVID-19, they must be quarantined per the CDC and Portsmouth City Health Department guidelines and may not return until they meet the CDC's criteria for returning to school. The Portsmouth City Health Department has been notified of the situation

Please continue to monitor your child/children at home. Contact the Portsmouth City Health Department at (740) 353-8863 for any of the following symptoms: fever 100 or higher, coughing, difficulty breathing/shortness of breath, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, fatigue, headache, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea.

How to keep your child safe:

- Stay home when you are sick and avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Have your child wear a mask.
- Cover your coughs/sneezes. Use your elbow when a tissue is not available.
- Immediately follow up with hand hygiene.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. If you do, wash your hands afterwards.
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place, after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. Use hand sanitizer when soap and water is unavailable.

We will continue to monitor the situation.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

Heather Walker, MSN, RN, LSN
District Nurse