



REED CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Coyote Staff, Family, and Community:

The Reed City Middle School building will be open for in-person instruction on Friday, 10/16.

On Wednesday after school, the District received notification an individual with a positive Covid-19 test result was in close contact with one cohort of students and six teachers at Reed City Middle School. District personnel immediately contacted the Central Michigan Health Department to obtain guidance. The District was advised by the health department the students in the cohort and the teachers would need to quarantine for 14 days. All individuals identified as close contacts were reached by school staff to notify them of their close contact status and the need to quarantine. Due to the timing of the notification and the inability to procure the number of substitute teachers needed on short notice, the decision was made to close the building on Thursday, 10/15. Building administrators and middle school staff utilized the time on Thursday to construct a plan to open the building beginning on Friday.

Classrooms in the middle school were disinfected on Wednesday night. On Thursday during the building closure, classrooms were cleaned and disinfected again along with hallways and restrooms to be ready for the return of students.

Please continue to monitor your students for symptoms that are new, different, or worse from baseline of any chronic illness. The safety, health, and well-being of our staff, students, and community will continue to be our priority.

Please Stay Home

Students with any of the following symptoms (new/different/worse from baseline of any chronic illness) should stay home:

- Temperature of 100.4 and above or signs of fever (chills/sweating)
- Sore throat
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- New onset of severe headaches

Sincerely,

Michael L. Sweet
Superintendent