

Geneva Area City Schools

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Board of Education
135 South Eagle Street
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 1154

High School
1301 South Ridge East
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 4001

Middle School
839 Sherman Street
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 2001

Austinburg Elementary
3030 Route 307 - Austinburg
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 6001

Cork Elementary
341 State Route 534
(440) 466-4831, Ext. 5001

**Geneva Platt R. Spencer
Elementary**
755 Austin Rd.
(440) 466 4831, Ext. 3001

Dear Geneva Teachers and Staff,

The Geneva Area City School District wishes to inform you that the Local Health Department is investigating a case of COVID-19 at Austinburg Elementary School.

During the time that the cases were potentially infectious, the students were in school with their last day on Friday, October 23rd from 7:15 am - 2:30 pm, the cases reported to have visited only Geneva High School in Geneva, Ohio. The students, a 10th grade student and an 11th grade student, received positive tests result on or around Friday, October 30, 2020.

One of the students, the 11th grade student, attended a practice / after school activity on Sat., October 24th.

COVID-19 is a contagious respiratory disease that is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person from people who are in close contact. Generally, close contact is defined as being within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more. Symptoms of COVID-19 typically appear 2-14 days after exposure and may include fever/chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficult breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea. For more information visit: www.coronavirus.ohio.gov.

The Local Health Department will be calling all close contacts in this matter. It is highly important that all contacts answer or return health department calls in this very important matter. If you have concerns, the Local Health Departments can be reached between 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays at:

- Ashtabula County Health Department, Jefferson, OH (440) 576-6010
- Ashtabula City Health Department, Ashtabula, OH (440) 992-7123
- Conneaut City Health Department, Conneaut, OH (440) 593-3087

The best way to prevent COVID-19 is to practice social distancing; wash your hands often; avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth; wear a facemask; cover cough and sneezes; don't leave your home when you are sick, clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces often, and monitor your health daily.

Sincerely,

Eric M. Kujala
Superintendent