

PLAINS ISD

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Students, Parents, Staff and Community,

It has finally happened at Plains ISD. COVID-19 has arrived. We have had several students today either get positive results or they are suspected to have COVID. This on top of several staff and students quarantining already. **These new cases will force several staff members to have to add to that quarantine list and we will not be able to cover all the classes.**

These circumstances will force us to stop face-to-face learning for just a bit. After students leave school today (Monday, November 2, 2020), **the entire school will be doing distance learning for the rest of this week.** We also have next Monday, November 9th, as a teacher workday, so this will give us a week to clean the building and determine who will have to quarantine for the full two weeks. At this time, **we are planning to resume in person classes on Tuesday, November 10th, but this could change.**

I realize that this is short notice, but such is the nature of this pandemic. We have done our best to plan for this and we feel that this is the safest option for our students and staff right now. This spike in and around the community of Plains is significant and we are going to do our best to help limit the spread.

We will still have much of the staff at school and we would ask that you please call us and inform us if your child isn't feeling well or if you would share the results if your child ends up testing for COVID. We will keep it confidential, but we need to know the number of cases that we have amongst our students and staff.

There are some High School activities that will still be allowed to continue unless contact tracing forces us to quarantine some of those students or sponsors. At this time, none of them have tested positive or are showing symptoms.

Thank You,

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