

Prairie Home R-V School District

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Dear Prairie Home Family,

As we work to keep students and staff safe during this pandemic, we will share as much information as possible with you, while still following legal and ethical privacy rules.

The District received communication today that another employee of the Prairie Home School system has tested positive for COVID-19. The school district is in contact with the Cooper County Public Health Center, and Melanie Hutton, RN Administrator, for guidance and recommendations. The staff member is following the Health Department's guidelines for self-isolation, for the required period of time before returning to campus. Please remember that the district cannot provide specific staff or student information due to confidentiality laws and policies.

We currently have around 50% of our Junior High/High School students on quarantine and also 4 staff members on quarantine. We also have some staff members and students that are being tested that could add more to the quarantine list. With all the information about surrounding area, we will be moving our Junior High and High School students to virtual classes. Our JH/HS will be virtual starting tomorrow, November 4th, and go through November 13th. So, JH/HS students will return to school on Monday, November 16th. On November 16th, we will still be at a level 2, but we will re-evaluate that level on that day as well.

Our BTEC student will still be able to attend BTEC as long as they are not on the quarantine list. We will still provide a bus to BTEC as well. Our elementary students will attend school like a normal day of school. We will still be at level 2 until we re-evaluate on November 16th.

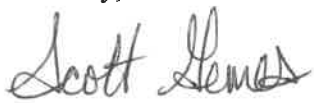
If the Health Department determines that a student or staff member is at high risk of exposure, those individuals are being contacted. If you are not contacted, your student has not been identified by this process as an individual at high risk of exposure. If your student is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, seek guidance from the Cooper County Health Department or your medical provider, *and please keep them home*.

Our district continues to take extra precautions (extra cleaning, increased hand sanitizer usage, wearing mask, etc.). Once again, we are trying to share as much information as possible with you.

If you need books, chromebook, or other supplies in order to work virtually, please contact the office. We will arrange for you to pick up the items. If you are having issues with internet service, please contact Mr. Gemes.

Thank you for your support as we work to keep everyone safe.

Sincerely,



Scott Gemes, Superintendent

"Positive Learning Environment creates Positive Student Success"