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COVID-19 ANNOUNCEMENT

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I am writing to inform you that the Hermitage School District was notified late yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon that a delivery driver for a vendor of our Child Nutrition program tested positive for Covid-19 on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. This driver delivered boxes of food to our school kitchens on Wednesday, October 21 and Wednesday, October 28, 2020. While on our campus, the driver was screened (temperature checked and asked of symptoms), passed the screener, and wore a mask. There were no students present in the location of the delivery driver. No one in our Child Nutrition program was within 6 feet of the individual for more than 15 minutes, thus there is not a need for contact tracing or quarantines. Child Nutrition employees did wear their masks during this delivery and frequently wash their hands or wear gloves, per the guidelines. Kitchen areas are cleaned multiple times during the day. Additionally, per our cleaning schedule we have been using since August, all areas of our buildings, including kitchens, have been sanitized multiple times since this individual was in our kitchen areas.

We appreciate the work everyone is doing to follow the guidelines during this pandemic. Please remember the following:

(1) Wear your mask.

(2) Stay 6 feet apart.

(3) Screen before coming to school and keep records of the screenings.

(4) If you develop symptoms, call the Susanne Grice (School Nurse) or Erandi Acuchi-Alendar (POC). You may reach them by calling the school office or Central Office. The POC is also available by cell at 870-820-4644. Thank you for communicating with us as we try to keep everyone safe!!

(5) Remember, students and staff must stay home 48 hours after symptoms subside before returning to school.

Thank you for your help keeping us all safe!! Please let me know if you have questions or need additional information.

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Dr. Tucker