

# ***MOUND CITY R-2 SCHOOL***

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Dear Mound City R-2 Students, Parents, and Staff:

The health and safety of our students, teachers, and staff is always our top priority especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. We are committed to sharing information related to the pandemic as openly as possible.

We have learned that a student tested positive for COVID-19 on Friday, November 6th. Due to health privacy laws and respect for privacy, we are unable to release the name of the individual. We now are taking additional precautions to protect the health and safety of our students and employees:

- We will follow any and all recommendations from the Holt County Health Department and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).
- Cleaning and sanitation efforts will be maintained.
- Mound City R-2 and Holt County Health Department will contact-trace and notify the families of any student who may have been in close contact.

Due to the number of teachers impacted due to quarantine, Mound City R-2 has elected to use Virtual Learning from grades PK – 4<sup>th</sup> from November 9<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>. We will still continue to use November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> as Virtual Instruction days as well. I am sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause, however we do not have enough staff/substitute teachers in order to keep the students in the building.

We know it is concerning to learn about confirmed cases of COVID-19, but we believe we are doing everything we can to help contain the community spread of the virus. This is a very challenging time for all of us, please understand that difficult decisions have to be made regarding quarantine. We fully cooperate with the Holt County Health Department and CDC Guidelines when making these decisions.

Sincerely,

Mr. Korey Miles, Superintendent