



Livingston PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Livingston Public Schools Community:

We are writing to inform you that the District was notified last night that a staff member at Burnet Hill Elementary School and a staff member at Livingston High School have tested positive for COVID-19. Both staff members are also coaches in our fall high school athletic program. These positive cases had an out-of-school link. The individuals who tested positive are now quarantining. We have worked closely with our local health department, followed our contact tracing protocols, and already informed those members of our community who came in direct contact with these individuals. Livingston High School staff members are working remotely today in order to ensure that we are able to thoroughly complete contact tracing and cleaning at the school. We thank everyone who cooperated with us as we worked through our contact tracing process last night and this morning.

Any student, staff member, or other individual who experiences symptoms associated with COVID-19 should contact their health care provider immediately. If you have any questions, please call NJ COVID-19 & Poison Center Public Hotline at 1-800-962-1253 or 1-800-222-1222 or visit www.cdc.gov or www.nj.gov/health.

As a reminder, the Center for Disease Control always recommends everyday preventive actions to limit the spread of respiratory viruses, including:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Wear an appropriate face covering.

We must all contribute to keeping our school community and the broader Livingston community safe and healthy. It is necessary for all members of our educational family to make a commitment to making healthy choices on weekends and days off in order to allow us to safely continue bringing students back to our schools for in-person learning.

As outlined in our district communication protocols, going forward we will provide all LPS families with information about COVID-19 cases reported in our schools. Please remember we must do so while respecting the confidentiality of our students and staff. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to navigate through these unusual times together.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Block
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