Superintendent Updates

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Dear Gull Lake School Community,

This week the District continued daily in-person learning for Y5 - 5th grade students and hybrid learning for grades 6-12. Everyone continues to observe the safety protocols carefully as we track COVID cases at each location and perform contact tracing with Nurse Megan and the Kalamazoo Health and Community Services Department. We are messaging our families and staff at each location when a positive case is confirmed. If a quarantine extends to include a program, classroom or building, the District will provide timely updates so that you may plan accordingly. The Health Department is involved in any decisions to temporarily quarantine with the understanding that in-person learning will return after the recommended period of up to 14 calendar days. Classroom instruction will move to 100% remote virtual should a temporary quarantine be necessary at the classroom or building level. Please review Nurse Megan's notes from last week (Nurse Notes 2) if you have not already done so. It provides helpful information for staying safe in all environments. You can also review Health Department information here (KCHCSD) to monitor important data.

Other District happenings include the following:

- Boys Varsity Soccer have advanced to the State Finals versus Dewitt at Comstock Park High School this Saturday at 3:00PM! The last time we appeared in the Finals was 1993, and our team and school community are excited to be a part of this positive experience. Congratulations to Coach Streitel and the team for their hard work and dedication to excellence!
- Girls Varsity Volleyball has advanced to the District Finals this Saturday, 10:00AM at Thornapple-Kellogg
- Congratulations to Koby Fraaza and Hannah Funkhouser as they compete in the State Cross Country Finals today at Michigan International Speedway!

Have a great weekend and GO GULL LAKE!

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