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Although Numbers are Minimal, Davie County Schools has Initial Confirmed Student COVID-19 Cases

Davie County Schools has had its first confirmed positive cases among students since the start of the school year. While the number is minimal and there are currently no clusters that would cause widespread concern, we are being proactive with a message out to students, parents and staff to ensure open lines of communication and transparency. A message with this information was sent directly to families and staff today. It is important to note that Davie County Health and Human Services (DCDHHS) has determined that these students did not get the COVID-19 virus in the school setting.

Since the start of the school year, we have had seven total students with confirmed COVID -19 among four different schools. We made sure families were aware that if there was suspicion that their student was exposed or in close contact with these students, they would have already been contacted by DCDHHS and provided with additional guidance and direction. DCDHHS conducts thorough contact tracing and communicates with individuals who may have been exposed.

We continue to work closely with Davie County Health and Human Services and are taking steps in response to these current reports. Davie County Schools will always strictly follow DCDHHS protocol moving forward for positive cases. At this time, the local health officials have advised us that there is no need to close a classroom or school. Our strict adherence to safety procedures protects everyone – the social distancing, wearing masks, and diligent handwashing. We are engaging in appropriate cleaning and disinfection measures in the schools daily. This is why we have these protocols in place, to protect students from exposure while in school. Davie County Schools takes the safety and privacy of its students and employees very seriously. We appreciate the support and are asking for respect of the privacy of the members of our community.

Davie County Schools (DCS) serves Pre-K and K-12 students in the Piedmont Triad, just west of Winston-Salem. DCS includes 6 elementary schools, 3 middle schools, Davie County High School, Davie County Early College High School and Central Davie Academy, with a mission to engage, equip, and empower students. DCS provides a safe, innovative learning environment where each individual is valued, respected, and challenged. An engaging staff and community ensure students learn, grow, create, and discover their talents through experiences that prepare them for success. Home to the War Eagles, Davie County High School is a member of the Central Piedmont 4-A Conference, offering competitive and well-rounded experiences for student-athletes. ####DCS####