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Dear Seaford Families, Faculty and Staff,

The number of COVID positive cases in the District continues to rise and it has become increasingly challenging to provide a safe learning environment. When District and State protocols are not followed, it puts the entire community at risk.

Please know that remaining open depends upon our collective actions. The daily COVID Screening Attestation Form must be completed truthfully. It is vital that if a student or an employee is not feeling well or believes to be a close contact that he/she remains at home. Also, please be reminded that an individual who is tested for COVID-19 is quarantined until the lab results are received. We must work together in order to remain open for in-person instruction.

Below are the number of positive COVID cases since yesterday's letter:

Building	Student/Employee
Harbor Elementary	1 Student
Manor Elementary	3 Students
Seaford Middle School	6 Students, 1 Employee
Seaford High School	3 Students, 1 Employee

After receiving a positive test, these individuals are required to isolate per the Department of Health guidelines. These people will not be permitted to return to school until we receive a letter from the Department of Health and/or medical documentation clearing them to return to school. The <u>isolation period</u> is 10 days. For return to school protocols, kindly click here: Return to School from a Positive COVID-19 Test

As a reminder, New York State has adopted the CDC recommended <u>quarantine period</u> of 10 days for those considered to be close contacts. In the past, the days to quarantine had been fourteen. The return to school protocols for a person who has been quarantined is located here: <u>Return to School from Quarantine</u>

The symptoms of COVID-19 are like the regular seasonal influenza and include fever, coughing, and shortness of breath. Some have reported additional symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat, nausea, lethargy, lack of appetite, vomiting, diarrhea, loss of senses of taste and smell. If you are exhibiting any symptoms such as those listed above, please stay home and contact your medical provider. If you test positive for COVID19, please send immediate email notification to your building principal and Lorraine Burke, Nurse Coordinator (lburke@seaford.k12.nv.us).

Thank you for your commitment to our students. Together, we will remain Seaford Strong in 2021!

Very truly yours,

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