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Dear Seaford Families, Faculty and Staff,

Early this morning, the Seaford School District was notified that a student at Seaford Middle School has tested positive for COVID-19. After receiving a positive test, this individual is required to quarantine per the Department of Health guidelines. This student will not be permitted to return to school until they receive a letter from the Department of Health clearing him/her to return to school.

In an abundance of caution, specific teachers and students in one class as well as students determined to be close contacts will be moved to remote instruction tomorrow, December 11<sup>th</sup>, for the purpose of conducting extensive contact tracing. These individuals will be contacted by the building administration tomorrow regarding return to school protocols as determined by the investigation results. All schools in the District will be open on Friday, December 11, 2020.

In addition, following guidance issued by the New York State Education Department at the Nassau County Department of Health (NCDOH), we have closed off all areas of the building that the individual used and are thoroughly cleaning and disinfecting those spaces. Based on the guidance from the NCDOH, we will follow all necessary protocols to mitigate any potential exposure to other students or staff.

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 your child is exhibiting any symptoms such as those listed above, please keep your child home and contact your child's medical provider.

We are closely monitoring this situation and will provide you with updates as we learn more. As always, the health and safety of our students, faculty and staff is our priority. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's building principal.

Very truly yours,

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