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Dear Seaford Families, Faculty and Staff,

Late this afternoon, the Seaford School District was notified that an employee at Seaford Harbor Elementary School has tested positive for COVID-19. After receiving a positive test, this individual is required to quarantine per the Department of Health guidelines. The employee will not be permitted to return to school until we receive a letter from the Department of Health clearing him/her to return to school.

Out of an abundance of caution and 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.

After consulting with the NCDOH, due to the circumstances of this particular case and the implementation of masks, barriers and social distancing in the classrooms, we have not been advised to quarantine at this point in time. Although, contact tracing may result in specific individuals being quarantined. All schools in the District will be open on Thursday, October 29, 2020. Should the situation change, you will be notified promptly.

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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