

## **Dr. Adele V. Pecora** • Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Seaford Community,

Late this afternoon, an employee from the Seaford School District advised us that they were informed by their health care provider of a positive test for COVID-19 today. This person had been in Seaford High School and Seaford Middle School last week.

We are proceeding with the guidance provided by the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) and the New York State Education Department (NYSED) requiring schools to close for 24 hours while the local department of health investigates. Accordingly, District employees will not be permitted at the buildings while it is professionally cleaned and disinfected according to the guidelines from the NYSDOH.

The Nassau County Department of Health has advised us that it is their responsibility to contact persons who may potentially have been exposed. Due to privacy laws, we are not able to share the identity of the individual or details about this case. We ask that medical questions be directed to your family doctor/healthcare provider.

We recognize that this news will be concerning to our community. Please be assured that the safety and well-being of our students and staff is our number one priority. We will remain in close contact with health officials, follow any recommendations they issue, and continue to keep you updated to the extent permissible.

Please be reminded that the Department of Health continues to emphasize the importance of social distancing and frequent hand washing. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our community safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Adele V. Pecora

Adele V. Pecora, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools