

# Reminder Regarding COVID-19 Communications

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Dear East Ramapo Central School District Community,

In light of the recent uptick of COVID-19 cases in New York State, we want to remind parents and caregivers of the different methods by which we communicate with families about confirmed COVID-19 cases in our schools.

In adhering to New York State Department of Health and New York State Department of Education mandates regarding COVID-19 reporting, the District utilizes the [COVID-19 School Report Card](#) (<https://schoolcovidreportcard.health.ny.gov/#/districtData;bedsCodeId=500402>). All COVID-19 cases in our school district are reported to these state agencies daily. We are required to disclose positive test results to the state to be included in this dashboard, and we are committed to accurately reporting any positive test within our district.

This [NYSED COVID-19 School Report Card](#) (<https://schoolcovidreportcard.health.ny.gov/#/districtData;bedsCodeId=500402>) is an excellent resource that provides the following information:

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- The total number of teachers, staff and students who have tested positive for COVID-19 during the last 7 and 14 days.
- The total number of teachers, staff and students in a school.
- A graphical representation of the seven-day trend in each school.

The East Ramapo Central School District communicates directly with parents and guardians when their child is exposed and when school schedules are impacted. **All individuals identified as a close contact to a positive case will continue to receive immediate and direct communication.**

Visit the [ERCSD Covid Resources \(https://www.ercsd.org/Page/11711\)](https://www.ercsd.org/Page/11711) page to view the East Ramapo COVID-19 New York State Report Card, CDC Community Transmission data and other health-related information.

We continue to work to ensure that all necessary precautionary steps are being taken to keep students and staff healthy. The health of our students, families, and staff is our top priority.

Sincerely,

Clarence G. Ellis

Dr. Clarence G. Ellis

Superintendent of Schools

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