

Moonachie Public Schools

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Dear Parents & Guardians:

The district has been informed that a staff member of the Robert L. Craig school community has tested positive for COVID-19. Similar to our previous two notifications, it is believed that the staff member contracted COVID-19 via community spread outside of the Robert L. Craig School.

The Robert L. Craig School now **has two unrelated COVID-19 cases within a 14-day period, which requires the school to be closed and go to full remote instruction for 14-days**, as per CDC Guidelines and recommendation by the New Jersey Department of Health. We will re-open for live instruction on Wednesday November 11th, 2020.

The Robert L. Craig School Calendar will be as follows:

- Thursday October 29 – Wednesday November 4 → Remote Learning For All (1-session schedule)
- Thursday November 5 & Friday November 6 → School CLOSED as per our district calendar
- Monday November 9 – Tuesday November 10 → Remote Learning For ALL (1-session schedule)
- Wednesday November 11 & Thursday November 12 → Live Instruction Re-Opens:
 - 1-Session Days (Report Card Virtual Conferences)
- Friday November 13 → Full-Day Live Instruction Begins

If you have not received a phone call from me or a contact letter, then there is minimal identified risk to your student(s).

If you are LIVE student and received a device during our last closure, they will be distributed on Thursday morning. We will call you to schedule a pick-up time.

As outlined in our response plan, we will continue to coordinate our response regarding contract tracing and virus mitigation with local public health officials. We will also continue to follow CDC, state, and local health department guidance in order to maximize the health and safety of our community.

Cleaning and disinfecting of all identified exposed areas is underway. Additional precautions to prevent the introduction and spread of viruses include the frequent cleaning of high-touch surfaces, daily health screenings, and ongoing communication with public health officials. The status of this situation is fluid, and we continue to monitor it closely.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We encourage parents and students to continue following the prescribed daily school district expectations for before school screening, as well as the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention promoted safeguards, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;

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- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering while in school; and
- Continuing to monitor all members of your household for symptoms.

Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to reach out to me directly.

Sincerely,



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