

Moonachie Public Schools

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Dear Parents:

The district has been informed that a member of the Robert L. Craig school community has tested positive for COVID-19. There is no guarantee that the transmission occurred on district property, but in an overabundance of caution we are responding as such. **Tomorrow Thursday, October 1st the school building will be closed, but students and teachers will engage in remote learning. As per our calendar, there is no school for students this Friday, October 2nd.** As outlined in our response plan, we will continue to coordinate our response regarding contact 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. Where applicable, some members of the school community may be receiving **Close Contact** notification letters in the event that they were within 6 feet of a confirmed case of COVID-19 for at least 10 minutes.

Cleaning and disinfecting of all identified exposed areas is either underway or has been completed. 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;
- 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.

I will be updating the community on our next steps by 3pm on Thursday, October 1st. As always, we appreciate our community's support and cooperation. You can assist us by remaining vigilant in your approach. Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to reach out to me directly.

Sincerely,



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