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Superintendent Tom DeKeyser

Confirmed COVID Positive Student at WLES

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Good Afternoon,

Today, a family has reported to me a confirmed COVID positive case. The student is doing well and experiencing only mild symptoms. The immediate grade level affected is Kindergarten.

WLPS staff is completing contact tracing and will report to WCHD any student or staff member who is considered a close contact. A thorough investigation of student movement is always conducted following the notification of a positive COVID-19 case. The entirety of each campus is considered, including athletic and extracurricular areas and buses. Close contacts of a positive case have to be isolated from school for 14 days and move to remote learning. The WCHD determines the return date. (A close contact is defined as someone who was within 6 feet of the positive person for at least 15 minutes). Close contacts will be notified today by email. If you are not notified today, your son or daughter is not considered a close contact.

As a parent or guardian, we know you are eager to find ways to protect your children and family from COVID19. Please talk to your children about frequent hand washing, covering coughs and sneezes, avoiding touching your eyes, nose, and mouth, wearing a face covering in public, and cleaning frequently-touched surfaces at home. Most importantly, keep your children home and stay at home yourself, if you are sick. Thank you for your help in reinforcing good hygiene practices.

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