



NORTH PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear North Paulding High School Parents/Guardians:

The health and wellbeing of our staff and students remains our highest priority, and we are continuing to adjust and improve our protocols for in-person instruction to make our school the safest possible learning environment. We have anticipated that COVID-19 would impact us as it has nearly every community, and the district has worked in partnership with the Department of Public Health (DPH) to proactively implement safety precautions and response plans. I am writing to inform you that we have had additional cases of students and staff who are reporting to us that they have tested positive for COVID-19.

At this time, we know there were six students and three staff members who were in school for at least some time last week who have since reported to us that they have tested positive. In each case we are following DPH recommendations for reporting. Our custodial staff continues to thoroughly clean and disinfect the school building daily, and especially affected areas. It is my intention to regularly notify the NPHS community of these cases in the interest of transparency and so that we, as a community, can be aware of any trends that arise and respond accordingly.

As a parent, the most proactive measures you can take to keep classrooms safe and healthy are to screen your child's health according to the following guidelines:

1. Check their child's temperature at least twice a day.
2. Check for COVID-19 symptoms, such as:
 - Fever or chills, headache, sore throat, cough, or fatigue
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Muscle or body aches, nausea or vomiting

If your child exhibits any of these COVID-19 symptoms, the CDC and DPH recommend your child be tested as soon as possible. In addition, please notify the school front office as it is imperative that students who are showing symptoms stay home and quarantine.

I sincerely appreciate the support and resilience of the NPHS family as we work together to offer students quality in-person instruction in the safest and healthiest learning environment possible in this new and unprecedented time. Should you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the school at 770-443-9400.

Sincerely,

Gabe Carmona
Principal