



PRAIRIE GROVE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 46

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Dear PG46 Families:

We are writing to notify you that an individual in our school has been positively diagnosed with COVID-19. We are working directly with the McHenry County Health Department on this matter. Due to health privacy laws and respect for the family, the identity of the individual will not be released.

We believe that any student that came into 'close contact' with this individual while at school has been notified by school staff. 'Close contact' is defined by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) to mean spending more than 15 minutes within 6 feet of an individual who tested positive for COVID-19 or otherwise exhibited symptoms of COVID-19. We have provided the local health department with names and contact information for purposes of contact tracing. If you are contacted by the local health department, please cooperate with them to the best of your ability.

If your child is asked to quarantine due to 'close contact', school staff will stay in contact with you and will provide you with more detailed return-to-school information for your child.

In addition to information that you receive from your healthcare provider, the IDPH has identified the following symptoms that you should closely monitor in your child, yourself, other close family members and anyone living in your home: Fever, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, fatigue, muscle and body aches, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea. If your child or other family member exhibits any of these symptoms, notify your health care provider immediately.

More detailed information about COVID-19 symptoms can be found at the Illinois Department of Public Health's [website](https://www.idph.state.il.us/covid19/).

Let us know if you have any questions or concerns. The well-being of our school community will always be our number one priority. Sending best wishes to your family.

Sincerely,

Dr. John M. Bute
Superintendent