



# WELLSVILLE

## Unified School District 289

June 23rd, 2020

Good Afternoon,

The district received confirmation that three additional secondary students in USD 289 have tested positive for COVID-19. We have also learned that an immediate family member of an elementary and secondary student has tested positive for COVID-19 as well. This brings the confirmed number of positive tests to date to seven students and three immediate family members of USD 289 students at this time. We have several students who have been tested and are awaiting results.

We understand that in the world of social media, etc. , that at times a family may learn of the positive test and share that information before the district receives confirmation. We appreciate the communication we have received from families as it allows us to move through the process at a quicker pace with confirmed information. We have set up an email account [covid-19@usd289.org](mailto:covid-19@usd289.org) for families to share any testing information with the district that they deem appropriate. Please know that we are working hard to share information in a timely manner, but we want to ensure we are sharing accurate and confirmed information.

**In light of current test results and the number of students who are awaiting results, USD 289 is suspending all in-person student activities through July 5th. while additional information is gathered about this situation. The Summer Food Service Program will resume operation on Monday, June 29th. USD 289 has consulted with the Franklin County Health Department regarding these decisions.**

**USD 289 has been surveying seniors and their parents regarding graduation and will provide an update in the very near future.**

The district is in contact with the Franklin County Health Department and is following all guidelines and recommendations regarding this matter. As organizations and entities across the state begin to reopen, the chance of COVID-19 impacting USD 289 increases. We are working with the health department to review any impacts to any other USD 289 events and activities. The Franklin County Health Department will be in contact with any direct contacts of a person

who has tested positive for COVID-19 and making determinations/recommendations on when a person and or family members should be quarantined. USD 289 takes the health and safety of our students and staff very seriously and we will continue to work with health officials to continue to protect the health and safety of all students and staff in the best way possible. We encourage parents to continue to encourage all family members to practice good hygiene and virus prevention practices.

- **Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water is not available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.**
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.**
- **Stay home as much as possible.**
- **Distance yourself from others when in public, especially if you are a senior or have a medical condition that puts you in a high-risk category.**
- **Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth mask when in public.**
- **Cover coughs and sneezes with an elbow or tissue. Throw the used tissue away and immediately wash your hands.**
- **Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily -- including phones, keyboards, doorknobs, handles and light switches – with an EPA-registered disinfectant.**

If you have questions regarding COVID-19 or possible symptoms, exposure, etc., please contact the Franklin County Health Department at 785-229-3530. We will continue to communicate with families by email and/or phone using our Apptegy system if there are updates, changes, or concerns.

Sincerely,  
Ryan Bradbury  
Superintendent  
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