

February 10, 2021

Good Morning,

The district recently received confirmation that one secondary student and one secondary staff member in USD 289 tested positive for COVID-19. Through the district contact tracing process, parents are notified if their student is considered a close contact. The district has notified the Franklin County Health Department as well and is following the COVID-19 Standard Response Protocol for Franklin County School Districts and all guidelines and recommendations regarding this matter.

We have included a summary dashboard component to these notifications.

USD 289 Active Positive Cases	District	WES	WMS/WHS	Total
Students	0	1	4	5
Staff	0	0	1	1

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 USD 289 Wellsville