



February 14, 2021

Dear Spectrum360 Community,

This letter is to inform you that a staff member from Academy360 Lower School (Verona) Cohort A (on campus Mondays, Tuesdays, and alternating Wednesdays) tested positive for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and was on campus while potentially contagious. This staff member had numerous close contacts on campus who are required to quarantine. As a result, we do not have adequate staffing to hold on campus classes for Lower School (Verona) Cohort A during the quarantine period. As a result, the entire cohort will participate in remote instruction during this time and will return to campus on Monday March 1st.

We are coordinating closely with public health officials and following CDC, state, and local health department guidance in order to assure the health and safety of our community. We are utilizing the following health and safety measures:

Lower School Verona

- Lower School Cohort A (Mondays, Tuesdays & alternating Wednesdays) will be all remote through the week ending February 26 and will return to campus on March 1st.
- Lower School Cohort B WILL be permitted to return to campus on their scheduled day (Thursday February 18th).

Any individual who has been in close contact as defined by the NJ Department of Health (e.g. within 6 feet for 15 or more minutes in a 24 hour period) with this person has been identified and contacted by the school administrators. As recommended by the CDC and NJ Department of Health, any individual who was a close contact of this person will be excluded from school for 14 days to monitor symptoms. Please note: If you did NOT receive an email from Principal Gina Catania, Assistant Principal Tara Hayek or Nurse Alice Palmer you were NOT a close contact.

As always, we appreciate our community's support and cooperation. Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to contact our school nurse, Alice Palmer [apalmer@spectrum360.org](mailto:apalmer@spectrum360.org). Please follow our campus closure dashboard on the [covid.spectrum360.org](https://covid.spectrum360.org) for the status of your campus, COVID-19 cases, and other related resources.

Thank you,  
Ken Berger  
Executive Director/Superintendent