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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am writing to give you an update on COVID19 in our school district. At this time positive students are quarantined and students who reside in the same household. The quarantines are handled by the Ralls County Health Department. Our school honors the quarantine time period and communicates with the parents of quarantined students regarding their school assignments.

For the school year to date, there have been 16 positive students and another 64 students placed in quarantine due to living in the same household with a positive COVID19 person. Today, we have 4 positive students and 19 in quarantine (these numbers are included in the school year to date totals).

I am sharing this information for two reasons: 1. A recent increase has occurred with positive numbers and quarantined students 2. Please, continue to monitor for symptoms from home and be responsible and keep students home if symptomatic or if you know they have been in close contact with a positive COVID19 person.

Our goal is to keep our school open to in person learning and to continue to follow our <u>Safe Return to School Plan</u>. Our plan was developed, approved and published in June of 2021. We are required to revisit our plan in six months to see if adjustments are necessary. A survey link will be shared with parents and employees to begin gathering information for the plan review.

Sincerely,
Tara Lewis, Ed.D.
Superintendent