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Dear Parent/Guardians:

On Tuesday, September 15, 2020, the Wallingford Public School District was notified that another individual associated with the district and at Dag Hammarskjold Middle School tested positive and is classified as a confirmed COVID-19 case. In working with the Wallingford Health Department, it was determined that the COVID-19 confirmed case was in close contact with one or more people while in a school setting.

The Wallingford Public School District, in collaboration with the Wallingford Health Department, initiated a case investigation at ***Dag Hammarskjold Middle School*** and contact tracing activities to identify all individuals who may have been in close contact with the Case. ***Only individuals identified as close contacts will be notified directly.***

At this time, ***Dag Hammarskjold Middle School*** will reopen tomorrow, Wednesday, September 16, 2020, to students on Team 6-1, Team, 7-1, Team 7-2, and Team 8-1. Students will return to the building on Wednesday, 9/16 (Group 2). Group 1 students will return on Friday, September 18 as scheduled.

Students on Team 6-2 and Team 8-2 should not report to school. These students should continue to participate in distance learning from home as they have been doing these past two days.

The Wallingford Public School District and Wallingford Health Department will continue to work cooperatively to ensure that all Contacts have information on how to protect themselves and others. Information related to case investigations is confidential and private health information will not be disclosed by the Wallingford Public School District and Wallingford Health Department.

The Wallingford Public School District and Wallingford Health Department are committed to maintaining a safe environment for students and staff. We continue to proactively monitor illness of students and staff, apply cleaning protocols, and social distancing practices. We will continue to review the circumstances of this case and will make any necessary adjustments in our plans.

The safety of our community is our priority. School officials are monitoring this situation and will continue to keep you informed of any changes or additional information.

We appreciate your support and understanding in these challenging times.

Sincerely,

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