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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As of today, we learned of a COVID positive case in 7th and 8th grade. Because it is impossible to assess all interactions in a group setting, and because of the length of time spent together, masked or unmasked, all students/staff in that classroom setting are considered close contacts. As a result, the Arkansas Board of Health and the CDC have instructed that primary contacts must follow quarantine instructions and stay home for 14 days from the last encounter with the positive person. The dates are 11/16/20-11/30/20, with a return date to school of 12/1/2020.

Parents should continue to monitor their child's health and the health of their families for COVID-19 symptoms. Children with COVID-19 generally have mild, cold-like symptoms, such as fever, runny nose, headache, dizziness, and cough. Vomiting and diarrhea have also been reported in some children.

Children with certain underlying medical conditions, such as chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma, serious heart conditions, or weak immune systems, might be at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. Contact your child's healthcare provider regarding any concerns.

While quarantined, people without symptoms do not need to seek care or be tested. Those who become ill should contact their healthcare provider. Their doctor, in consultation with public health officials, will determine appropriate care in addition to testing. **If your child is diagnosed with COVID-19, please notify me at 479-279-8700.**

If you desire to have your child screened for COVID following this exposure it is recommended to not to do before day 7 of exposure. Please remember that a negative test result does not mean that your child will not develop symptoms or become sick after the test. A negative test result means that your child did not have COVID-19 detected at the time of testing only.

Please know that your child's safety and well-being is our utmost importance and we are praying for God's continued protection during this time.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

In His Service,

Janet Lopez, OAS Principal

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