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Dear MMS Families and Staff,

The health and safety of our students continues to be our priority. ESD was informed Friday about a positive case of COVID-19 at Morgan Middle School by Kittitas County Public Health Department. The case was due to exposure to COVID-19 outside of school. The process that is followed when there is a positive case of COVID-19 at a school is the following:

- Kittitas Public Health Department contacts school administrators and/or the Superintendent if there is a staff or student at school who has tested positive for COVID 19.
- School administration or other designated personnel provide Kittitas County Public Health Department with information that is required for the contact tracing to be implemented.
- The school and District work closely together with Kittitas County Health Department to implement the contact tracing process and to identify the staff or students who may be considered close contacts.
- Staff or students who are considered close contacts are notified and next steps regarding testing and quarantine requirements are shared with these close contacts.
- *If you did not receive a call from the Public Health Department, then you are not needing to be a part of the contact tracing and are not considered a close contact.*

We are continuing to follow all of the safety guidelines in order to safely keep everyone in school. The kids and staff are following everything very tightly and they are the reason we can continue to keep school open!

We appreciate you and our continued partnership!

Michelle Bibich, MMS Principal

The Ellensburg School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Kim Snider, Title IX Coordinator and Civil Rights Coordinator, 509-925-8007, kim.snider@esd401.org and Section 504 Coordinator, Kelly Kronbauer, 509-925-8011, kelly.kronbauer@esd401.org, 1300 East Third Avenue, Ellensburg, WA 98926.

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Estimados familiares y personal de MMS,

La salud y la seguridad de nuestros estudiantes siguen siendo nuestra prioridad. ESD fue informado el viernes sobre un caso positivo de COVID-19 en la Escuela Media Morgan por el Departamento de Salud Pública del Condado de Kittitas. El caso se debió a la exposición al COVID-19 fuera de la escuela. El proceso que se sigue cuando hay un caso positivo de COVID-19 en una escuela es el siguiente:

- El Departamento de Salud Pública de Kittitas se pone en contacto con los administradores de la escuela y/o el Superintendente si hay un personal o estudiante en la escuela que ha dado positivo para COVID 19.
- la administración escolar u otro personal designado proporcionan al Departamento de Salud Pública del Condado de Kittitas la información que se requiere para que se implemente el rastreo de contactos.
- la escuela y el distrito trabajan estrechamente con el Departamento de Salud del Condado de Kittitas para implementar el proceso de rastreo de contactos e identificar al personal
- El personal o los estudiantes que se consideran contactos cercanos son notificados y los próximos pasos con respecto a los requisitos de pruebas y cuarentena son compartidos con estos contactos cercanos.
- *Si no recibió una llamada del Departamento de Salud Pública, no necesita ser parte del rastreo de contactos y no se considera un contacto cercano.*

Seguimos siguiendo todas las pautas de seguridad para mantener a todos en la escuela de manera segura. Los niños y el personal están siguiendo todo muy estrechamente y son la razón por la que podemos seguir manteniendo la escuela abierta!

Le agradecemos a usted y a nuestra continua colaboración.

Michelle Bibich, directora de MMS

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