COVID-19 Communication Protocol: Positive Case

Building nurse & administration is notified of a possible positive COVID -19 case from parents or staff members.

District 155 receives a report of a positive COVID-19 case. D155 Buildings & Operations continues deep cleaning and disinfecting of all affected facilities and shared items.

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MCDH works closely with D155 to determine school schedules, busing, extracurriculars, and begin contact tracing.

MCDH begins process of contacting those who qualify as having close contact* with positive case. **D155 Communication Begins**

D155 Communications notifies teachers, staff, students and families of a positive COVID-19 case. No names will be released.

*CLOSE CONTACT: defined as less than 6 ft. of separation and more than 15 minutes of contact time with a positive case

Those students and staff who have been in close contact* with a positive case receive further communication from D155. The district will require students and staff to follow necessary steps to self-quarantine and monitor for symptoms after close contact*.

Refer to D155's Return to School Protocol D155 determines if classes, extracurricular activities and district programs will stay open, consistent with ISBE and MCDH guidance. All affected classrooms and shared spaces will be closed off until proper cleaning and disinfecting is complete.

HVAC systems and fans to the affected area will be shut down until cleaning and disinfecting is complete. If possible, windows will be opened.

The entire area, including all electronics and shared items, will be deep cleaned with EPA approved disinfectants. If carpet is present, it will be vacuumed with a HEPA filter.

Once proper cleaning and disinfecting is complete, the area will be reopened for use.

*This document is subject to change based on CDC, IDPH, ISBE & MCDH guidance