



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FLORENCE COUNTY
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October 13, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians and Florence County School-Community:

The School District of Florence County has been notified that two individuals at Florence County Middle/High School have tested positive for COVID-19. We are working with the Florence County Health Department to identify, notify and quarantine any students or staff who may be traced as a close contact. Parents/guardians or staff will be contacted directly by the Florence County Health Department if a student or staff member is identified as a close contact.

Due to time needed to conduct thorough contact tracing, **Florence County High School WILL CLOSE for Wednesday, October 14. Florence County Elementary will remain open for its regular schedule on Wednesday, October 14.**

Florence County High School students will be expected to log on for their regularly scheduled classes via BlueJeans for each class period on Wednesday, October 14.

The individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 will not be allowed to return to school until they have satisfied their requirements of isolation per the Florence County Health Department, as required per isolation and quarantine requirements per the Wisconsin Department of Health Services and Wisconsin State Statute 252.06. Any individual(s) contact traced will follow the guidance of the Florence County Health Department prior to their return to school.

If your child develops symptoms during the course of the day on Wednesday, October 14, please contact the high school office at 528-1202 and leave a **detailed message of symptoms** if there is no answer.

We are closely monitoring this situation and will provide you with more information early in the afternoon on Wednesday, October 14 as to whether classes will resume at the high school for Thursday, October 15. Please watch our Facebook page and website for more information as it becomes available.

Sincerely,

Ben Niehaus, District Administrator

Parents/Guardians – we are seeing an influx in recent weeks of students attending school with symptoms. **PLEASE - do not send your child to school if they have symptoms per the daily self-screening checklist that has been provided, and is available on our website.**

If symptomatic students arrive to school, we will isolate these students and contact you to pick them up. **Please work with us to save you, and us, the time and inconvenience of addressing these matters during the school day.**

If you have questions, please email school nurse, Melissa Testolin, RN at fsdnurse@myflorence.org or call (715) 528-3215.