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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Today, November 13th, the Administration was notified that there was **one** confirmed case of COVID-19 at **EverGreen Elementary School**. The individual has been in self-quarantine since Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> and will remain in isolation per Pennsylvania Department of Health guidelines. The District has been working closely with the DOH to implement the necessary protocol and identify those individuals that were in close contact with the confirmed case (anyone within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes). As a result, **eleven** close contacts have been identified and instructed to self-quarantine. Classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected according to CDC guidelines.

Per DOH recommendations, EverGreen Elementary will remain open and continue to implement necessary health and safety procedures. In order to maintain a healthy school environment, it is essential that we all practice proper hygiene and adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Take [your temperature/your child's temperature] once daily to check for fever (a body temperature of 100.4°F/38°C or higher).
2. Watch for other symptoms of COVID-19 including cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and/or diarrhea.
3. Immediately report any symptoms requiring medical attention to the Pennsylvania Department of Health (1-877-724-3258) or your local health department and contact your health care provider. Be sure to inform the provider of you or your child's possible exposure to a person with COVID-19.
4. Wear a mask and maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet from any person while outside the home.
5. Follow these hygiene measures:
  - Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
  - Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water is not available.
  - Cover any coughs or sneezes with an elbow, not hands
  - Clean surfaces frequently, including countertops, light switches, cell phones, and other frequently touched items.
6. Be aware of any persons in your household who may be at higher risk of getting COVID-19, including individuals who are elderly, immunocompromised (e.g. someone who has cancer and is taking chemotherapy), or have another condition or illness such as diabetes or asthma. You or your child should practice physical distancing around those persons.

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7. If you are contacted by the Pennsylvania Department of Health or your local health department or its representatives, please cooperate with monitoring and follow all instructions so that other people do not become sick.
  
8. If you or any members of your household develop symptoms of COVID-19 or have symptoms worsen, notify your local health department or the Pennsylvania Department of Health immediately at 1-877-724-3258 and contact a health care provider. Before seeking medical attention, let the health care provider know about the possible exposure to a case of COVID-19.

The Western Wayne School District will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as needed. The health and safety of our students and staff is our utmost priority.

Sincerely,

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