KALEVA NORMAN DICKSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Friday, September 24, 2021

Dear Families,

Yesterday we were made aware that one of our students in the high school tested positive for Covid-19. This student had been in school on Monday, September 20, 2021 which had put them in close contact with seven other students. These students and their families have been made aware that they are close contacts. With new guidance from the Health Department and CDC, these students do not have to quarantine. They have been instructed to continue to wear their masks and monitor symptoms for the next 14 days. Should symptoms arise, they have been asked to stay home, be tested, and inform us right away.

Yesterday evening at about 8:30 pm, we were made aware of another high school student who has tested positive for Covid-19. This student was in school on Thursday, September 23, 2021. There are 19 students who have been in close contact with this student. These students and their families have been made aware that they are close contacts. Again, with new guidance from the Health Department and CDC, these students do not have to quarantine. They have been instructed to continue to wear their masks and monitor symptoms for the next 14 days. Should symptoms arise, they have been asked to stay home, be tested, and inform us right away.

To help protect your family from the negative effects of Covid-19, please consider the following information that is provided from the Health Department... 1. Fully vaccinated individuals deemed a closed contact do not have to quarantine as long as they are not experiencing symptoms. 2. Regardless of vaccination status, an individual wearing a mask properly from the exposed individual, does not need to quarantine. 3. Students and staff not vaccinated, not wearing a mask, and are within 6 feet of an individual for 15 cumulative minutes who tests positive, will be quarantined for a minimum of 7 days. Feel free to email me with any questions or concerns you may have. Should you have any questions for the Health Department you can reach them at 231-723-3595.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Smith

KND K-12 Principal