KALEVA NORMAN DICKSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Tuesday, October 5, 2021

Dear Families,

This morning we were made aware that three of our students in the high school tested positive for Covid-19. These students were sent home this morning. One of these cases resulted in the quarantine of five students (one positive and four close contacts). These students and their family have been made aware that they are close contacts. According to new guidance from the Health Department and CDC, the positive student must remain in quarantine until October 12, 2021. The close contacts in the home may return to school as early as October 11, 2021 as long as they are not presenting with symptoms and have a negative Covid 19 test result. Another of these cases resulted in the quarantine of seven students (one positive and six close contacts). The positive student must be in quarantine until October 13, 2021. The close contacts may return to school as early as October 11, 2021 as long as they are not presenting with symptoms and have a negative Covid 19 test result. The third positive case did not result in any close contacts and that student will remain in quarantine until October 15, 2021.

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