

# KALEVA NORMAN DICKSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

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*Small School – Big Family*

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Friday, October 1, 2021

Dear Families,

Yesterday we were made aware that one of our students in the high school tested positive for Covid-19. This student was already home on quarantine as a close contact to a previous case. This new case only resulted in the quarantine of this student's sibling from the high school. 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 11, 2021. The sibling may return to school as early as October 8, 2021 as long as they are not presenting with symptoms and have a negative Covid 19 test result.

In addition, yesterday we were made aware that an elementary student has also tested positive for Covid 19. This resulted in only one quarantined student who is the sibling of the positive student. There were eight other close contacts but because of Health Department Guidelines and our mask policy, these students may continue to attend school as long as they remain symptom free. These families have been asked to monitor for symptoms closely over the next 14 days.

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