Wednesday, September 23, 2020

Dear East Greenwich Staff and Families,

This letter is to inform you that an individual at the Samuel Mickle School has tested positive for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). The district received notification of the positive test result today. Per the Department of Health, the individual was not present in school during the infectious period, so no staff or students are potential close contacts.

The district continues to coordinate closely with public health officials and following CDC, state, and local health department guidance in order to assure the health and safety of our community.

The school takes precautions to prevent the introduction and spread of viruses and other germs and is cleaning frequently touched surfaces daily. We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We encourage parents and students to continue following the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention promoted safeguards, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering while in school; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for symptoms.

As always, we appreciate our community’s support and cooperation. You can assist us by remaining vigilant but sensible in your approach to dealing with this health concern. Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to contact Jessica Loggia (interim principal), Michele Brown (school nurse) or me. Below are some resources that might be helpful.

RESOURCES

a. NJDOH COVID-19 information for Communities and the General Public  
b. Get the facts about Coronavirus:  
c. Symptoms of COVID-19:  
d. Testing:  
e. How to Protect Yourself:  
f. What to Do if You Are Sick:  

Sincerely,

Andrea Evans