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FASD Parents/Guardians,

Our school community is receiving this letter as notification that an employee associated with our High School has tested positive for COVID-19. The employee was last present on campus on October 16th. The individual will not return to the school until they have completed isolation procedures for COVID-19.

Presently, there are no known contacts established in this case.

In accordance with our District's Health and Safety Plan and Department of Health guidelines, we continue to work collaboratively with DOH to determine if and when any school closures may be necessary. At this time, we do not anticipate a closure.

In all instances when someone tests positive, public health staff from the Department of Health lead the investigation, contact trace, and make isolation and quarantine and other infection control recommendations.

We continue to encourage all parents to screen children for symptoms before school every morning including a fever of 100 degrees or greater, persistent cough, headache, loss of taste or smell, fatigue, gastro-intestinal issues such as diarrhea, and shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, among others. Please review the daily screener on page 6 of our Health and Safety Plan. Students who are sick with these symptoms should STAY HOME from school and follow the return to school guidelines (pg. 13). As always, your child's physician is the best person to guide you regarding steps for keeping your child safe and healthy.

More information on the symptoms of COVID-19 can be found on the CDC website <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

Thank you for your cooperation as we continue our efforts to keep everyone safe.