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November 2, 2021

Dear Parents & Guardians:

Today, November 2, 2021 we learned that a person your child had close contact with yesterday November 1 at Ross Park Elementary tested positive for COVID-19 today.

Your child and the other close contacts from the classroom are now advised to quarantine for 10 days, **starting today November 2 as day one**. As advised by Public Health-Muskegon County guidance, the class will not meet in person while the classroom quarantine is in effect. Class will meet again in person on **Monday**, **November 15, 2021**. Your child's teacher will be in contact regarding remote instruction during this time. If your child develops symptoms, please contact your healthcare provider. Thank you for understanding that, due to medical privacy laws, we are not able to release the name of the individual. This case will now be noted on our COVID-19 Dashboard.

Our staff and students have been following our safety protocols, including the wearing of masks. Since school began, we have increased our efforts to clean and disinfect equipment, light switches, door knobs/handles, and bathrooms, in addition to our regular cleaning and disinfecting schedule.

As a reminder, if your child has been exposed to someone who tested positive for COVID-19, or they have been exposed and are awaiting test results, please do not allow them to attend school. Remember, a person does not always display symptoms before testing positive for COVID-19. Please help limit the spread of COVID-19 by checking your child <u>each morning for symptoms</u>.

Public Health has also provided these reminders:

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- Wear a mask (covering mouth and nose) while in public places
- Limit social gatherings and practice social distancing (stay 6 feet apart)
- Wash your hands frequently, cover coughs and sneezes, and stay home if you are sick
- Get tested if needed and consider getting vaccinated if age eligible
- Learn more at <u>maskupmuskegon.org</u> or call 2-1-1 or 231-733-1155.

If you have any questions, please call me at 231-865-4016. For answers to your COVID-19 questions, please call Public Health-Muskegon County at 231-724-1203 or the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services COVID-19 Hotline at 888-535-6136 or visit Michigan.gov/coronavirus.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Botbyl, Coordinator Ross Park Head Start