

May 6, 2021

Dear Parents & Guardians:

Late yesterday, May 5, 2021, we learned that a person your child had close contact with at Marquette Elementary, during the Monday/Tuesday class this week, tested positive for COVID-19. The person who tested positive did not have any symptoms.

Your child and the other close contacts from the classroom are now advised to quarantine for 10 days, **starting on May 3 as day one**. As advised by Public Health-Muskegon County, the class will not meet in person while the quarantine is in effect. Your child's teacher will be in contact regarding remote instruction during this time. If your child develops symptoms, please contact your healthcare provider. If your child does **not** show COVID-19 symptoms like fever and cough, they **may return to in-person learning on Monday, May 17 (quarantine would be up May 14 which is a Friday)**.

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 outlined in our Return to School Plan, including wearing masks and staying 6 feet apart whenever possible. 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 [each morning for symptoms](#).

Public Health has also provided these reminders:

- 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 [maskupmuskegon.org](https://maskupmuskegon.org) 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](https://Michigan.gov/coronavirus).

Sincerely,

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