

April 27, 2021

Dear Parents & Guardians:

Today, during our random, rapid testing of students and staff, a person tested positive for COVID-19. At this point, the person has shown no symptoms of COVID-19. The parents of all students in this classroom were immediately contacted and went home. According to public health and CDC guidelines, students in that classroom are now required to quarantine for 14 days and will shift to the remote learning model.

Due to strict classroom cohort groups, no other classrooms are directly impacted by this positive case and no other Wesley students need to quarantine. Because the person tested positive, this case has been noted on our [COVID-19 Dashboard](#). Thank you for understanding that, due to medical privacy laws, we are not able to release the name of the individual.

Wesley School staff have been carefully following the safety protocols outlined in our Return to School Plan and we continue to diligently clean and disinfect equipment, light switches, door knobs/handles, and bathrooms, in addition to our regular cleaning and disinfecting schedule.

While the health and safety of our students, families, and staff is our top priority, **some students may not be able to consistently wear masks or social distance due to their physical or cognitive disabilities**. That's why it is very important for you to check your child [each morning for symptoms](#). If your child does show symptoms, contact your health care provider.

Public Health has also provided these reminders:

- Wear a mask (covering mouth and nose) in public places or if people visit your home
- Limit social gatherings and practice social distancing (maintain a distance of 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 a vaccine. Learn more at maskupmuskegon.org.

We are grateful to our parents who have given permission to allow their children to be tested. This allows us to quickly respond and stop future spread of the COVID-19 virus.

We will continue to provide weekly rapid testing of both students and staff who do not have symptoms and have no known exposure to a person with COVID-19.

If you have any questions, call me at 231-767-7303. For answers to your COVID-19 questions, 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Bradley".

Mary Bradley, Principal
Wesley School