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Letter to Parents/Guardians of Students Exposed to COVID-19 in School

May 20, 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Jamestown School District considers the health and well-being of our students and staff a priority. We have been alerted that your child **may** have been exposed to an individual diagnosed with COVID-19. We are following the most recent public health recommendations to ensure that the person with COVID-19 follows instructions for isolation and remains away from others until they can safely return to school. The individual with COVID-19 was in school while infectious on **May 19, 2022**.

What does this mean for you and your child?

- Your child may remain in school unless they develop symptoms or test positive for COVID-19. Being exposed to somebody with COVID-19 does not necessarily mean that your child will become infected. In fact, scientific research, and experience from around the country – including from California during this school year – demonstrate that schools remain among the safest places for children to be.
- Your child may wear a mask, especially for the next 10 days. Since they may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, they could become infected and spread COVID-19. [High-quality masks](#) with the good fit and filtration provide the best protection for your child and the school community.
- Your child may get tested for COVID-19:
 - **On Thursday, May 24, 2022**, UNLESS your child had COVID-19 within the past 90 days (3 months). If your child starts to feel sick or show [symptoms, they should get tested right away, even if they had COVID-19 before](#).
 - You may get tested at Jamestown School District by making an appointment with the school office. Over-the-counter (at-home) tests may also be used and you may request one from the school office.
- If your child develops [symptoms of COVID-19](#) or tests positive for COVID-19, please ensure they [isolate](#) at home immediately and notify the school office right away at 209-984-5217. When you notify us, we can take additional steps to keep our school community safe.
- Vaccinations against COVID-19 are available and if your child is 12 years of age or older, a booster dose is also recommended. Vaccinations against COVID-19 are safe and effective, and remain the best way to protect against the spread of this virus, new variants, and against severe disease. [Make an appointment to get vaccinated](#) or contact your child's doctor or healthcare provider to learn more.

We will continue to provide you with regular updates as needed. Note that infections diagnosed in students and school staff are not necessarily the result of exposure at school when safety protocols are followed at school, and COVID-19 transmission remains much more likely to occur outside of school settings.

We encourage you to contact us with questions and concerns. Please call us at (209) 984-5217, email us at cpelfrey@jespanthers.org or visit our website www.jespanthers.org for updates.

Please be assured that we are committed to facilitating an optimal learning experience ensuring the safety of our students and staff.

Sincerely,



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