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Dear Clark Schools Parents/Guardians:

This letter is to inform you that a CHK student had a laboratory-confirmed case of COVID-19. This case is unrelated to our previous two cases. Due to CHK being closed to in-person students last Tuesday through Friday, there are no close contacts. Please know that we are not at liberty to share any additional information due to HIPAA guidelines.

In addition, our Preschool students will be on the full-remote model for the remainder of this week as we await COVID-19 test results at CPA. Provided that these test results are received in a timely manner, the return to school date is Monday, October 5. At this time, these students are not considered to be close contacts with a positive case.

The District is coordinating closely with public health officials and following Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), state, and local health department guidance in order to assure the health and safety of our community. Cleaning and disinfecting of all exposed areas are being completed. The school is also taking precautions to prevent the introduction and spread of viruses and other germs and is cleaning frequently touched surfaces daily.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We encourage parents and students to continue following the CDC promoted safeguards such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes, and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick, and not sharing food, drinks, and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering while in school; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for symptoms

As always, we appreciate our community's support and cooperation. You can assist us by remaining vigilant but sensible in your approach to dealing with this health concern. COVID-19 resources from the CDC are available below.

How to Protect Yourself & Others:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>

Social Distancing:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/social-distancing.html>

What to Do If You Are Sick:



<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>

When to Quarantine:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html>

Isolate If You Are Sick:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/isolation.html>

Contact Tracing:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/contact-tracing.html#:~:text=Contact%20tracing%20slows%20the%20spread%20of%20COVID%2D19%20by&text=Helping%20people%20who%20may%20have,they%20are%20a%20close%20contact.>

Kindly feel free to contact our Supervisor of School Nursing Lori Kowalski by email at lkowalski@clarkschools.org with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully yours,

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