

August 17,2020

Parents, Students, and Staff,

We are reaching out to inform you that there have been five individuals within the same family that have tested positive for COVID-19 within Maconaquah School Corporation. Three of the individuals are high school students and one of the individuals works in food service at the high school. We have been in contact with the Miami County Health Department and the decision has been made to move all high school students to remote learning for two weeks starting August 17 and ending August 27. Additionally, high school athletics will be put on hold for those same dates, August 17-27. The fifth positive case is a middle school participant. Contact tracing is in process and in the event of your student having been exposed to a positive case on school grounds, you will be contacted directly by the Miami County Health Department with next steps.

We are continuing to follow our COVID-19 Back to School Guidelines, and want our community to rest assured that we are utilizing all safety precautions necessary to help prevent the spread of this virus. All exposed areas have been contained and professionally disinfected and sanitized. At this time, we will be continuing to operate our middle school and elementary school buildings with minor adjustments as instructed by the Miami County Health Department. As a reminder, no student or staff member should enter any Maconaquah School Corporation building if they have COVID-19 symptoms, have been exposed to COVID-19, or have tested positive for COVID-19. We ask that any questions or information regarding exposure be directed to the Miami County Health Department. We plan to be as transparent as possible while still following HIPPA and privacy guidelines. Thank you for your help and cooperation as we work to keep our students and staff safe.

Dr. James Callane