

Skaneateles Central School District

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Dear Skaneateles family,

Today our district was notified by the Onondaga County Health Department that a student at our Middle School tested positive for COVID-19. We were notified by the Department of Health after 2:00 pm this afternoon and have been working closely to assist in their ongoing contact tracing efforts. The local department of health takes the lead in ongoing investigations and we will continue to fully cooperate with their efforts.

The County Health Department will continue to reach out to any individuals and families identified as being in close contact, and I encourage your full cooperation so we are able to connect with anyone at risk of infection. While we have taken many precautions to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, we recognize how difficult and frightening this is to hear about in our own school community. Please understand that due to privacy and confidentiality constraints, we are unable to share additional information on any individuals.

We have a plan in place to clean and sanitize areas of concern and we assure you that protecting the health and welfare of our students, faculty, and staff is our primary concern.

*The entire Skaneateles School District will be engaged in remote learning tomorrow, Friday, September 25.

*All of our buildings will be closed to students tomorrow, while all faculty and staff will report to work remotely from their classrooms. Our facilities team will clean and sanitize our buildings and school will reopen for student and staff attendance on Monday, September 28.

*All sports and school related activities are cancelled until Monday, September 28.

Thank you for your continued understanding and support as we continue to navigate these challenges together as one Skaneateles family.

Stronger together,

Eric Knuth Superintendent of Schools

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