



HARBOR BEACH
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
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November 20, 2020

Dear HBCS Parents and Guardians:

Today we received information about a staff member who has tested positive for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). The staff member is within Harbor Beach Elementary School. We have been in contact with the Huron County Health Department. They have determined that quarantining both kindergarten classes and our one third grade class will be necessary. Please understand HBCS does not determine who is quarantined and the length of quarantine, that is the responsibility of the Huron County Health Department. You should be receiving a direct phone call from the Health Department with more specific information. We have been told students may return to school on Monday, November 30. The teachers from these rooms will be in contact with parents about continuation of learning during this time away from face-to-face instruction.

Please note that we are prohibited from sharing all specific identifying information, including the names of ill persons. Shared information regarding any Public Health investigation is confidential in order to protect patient privacy. This is not a Harbor Beach rule. It is a universal requirement, and HBCS is not legally permitted to give specific names of those potentially infected.

As always, we remind everyone to wear face coverings when feasible, wash hands frequently, and maintain 6 foot social distance when possible. Additionally, it is vital that if staff or students aren't feeling well that they stay home. Before returning to school, a staff member or a student should be symptom-free without medication for 24 hours.

For additional questions about COVID-19, please visit the Huron County Health Department at <https://www.hchd.us/>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me directly at sbishop@hbpirates.org or Mr. Quintano at mquintano@hbpirates.org. You may also contact the school at (989) 479-3261.

Sincerely,

Dr. Shawn Bishop, Superintendent
Harbor Beach Community Schools