



# WEST LONG BRANCH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear School Community:

As you are aware, the West Long Branch School District continues to experience impacts from the COVID-19 virus. We have now received report of two (2) additional individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19. These individuals who tested positive had direct and prolonged contact with **31** additional people within the WLBSD. Those individuals have been contacted and required to quarantine in accordance with Health Department guidelines. We are coordinating closely with public health officials about these cases and following CDC, state, and local health department guidance in order to assure the health and safety of our community.

According to our restart and recovery plan, you will continue be notified of any confirmed positive COVID-19 cases for staff or students that occur as we move forward. The schools are scheduled for deep, thorough cleaning over this weekend, and we continue taking precautions to prevent the introduction and spread of viruses and other germs, such as cleaning frequently touched surfaces daily.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19, and we strive each day to maintain a healthy and safe learning environment for all our students and staff members. You can assist us by remaining vigilant, but sensible in your approach to dealing with this health concern.

As a reminder:

- Any individual who is exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms should **not** return to school until they have either received a negative PCR COVID test or have completed an isolation period according to Department of Health guidelines.
- If there is an individual in your immediate household who is symptomatic, being COVID tested due to exposure or symptoms, or is otherwise awaiting COVID test results, all family members/siblings in the household **must** remain home and self-quarantine until receipt of a negative PCR COVID test.

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. We encourage you to observe your child for any signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and contact your child's physician and the school nurse if any are noted. Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to contact your principal either by phone at 732-222-5900 or by their email.

Sincerely,

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