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Dear Parents/Guardians/Families:

This letter is to inform you that one individual at the West Long Branch School District (WLBSD) has **tested positive on March 8th for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)**. This individual who tested positive had direct and prolonged contact with **15** people within the WLBSD. ("Direct Contact" is currently defined by the CDC as being within six feet for 15 cumulative minutes or longer.) The District is coordinating closely with public health officials and following CDC, state, and local health department guidance in order to assure the health and safety of our community. **As a result of the positive confirmation, all individuals who were in close contact with this positive person were identified and notified in accordance with the Health Department.** Please know, it is a regular school day on Wednesday, March 10th, unless your child/children were told to quarantine.

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. Cleaning and disinfecting of all exposed areas have been 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 Centers for Disease Control & Prevention 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. 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,

Christina Egan

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