



BELLE VERNON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

It has come to our attention that we have two COVID-19 positive cases at Belle Vernon Area High School on February 26, 2021. These cases resulted in the district needing to contact trace. If your child was a close contact, you will be contacted by the school. This will be two positive cases in a fourteen-day rolling period for the high school.

If your child is displaying any symptoms or has been in close contact with a positive COVID person, please do not send them to school and have them follow the recommendations for quarantining and notify your child's building nurse or principal. It is extremely important that we all work together for the safety of our students and staff.

The signs and symptoms of COVID-19 are listed below. If you or your child are concerned about an exposure or are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, please contact your primary care physician for further guidance. For more information on COVID-19, visit the PA Department of Health's website at www.health.pa.gov.

What are the signs and symptoms of COVID 19? Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus and may range from mild to severe.

Symptoms include:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore Throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

We have been in direct contact with the PA Department of Health and are following their recommendations as the health and wellness of our students and our community are always our highest priority. Please stay safe.

Sincerely,

Dr. Michele Dowell
Superintendent of Schools