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Dear Parent/Guardians,

We were notified of two more positive COVID cases at Rostraver Elementary School. These cases take the total to seven positive cases in the current 14-day rolling period. As a result, Rostraver Elementary School will be fully remote on Monday, May 3 and Tuesday, May 4, 2021. The Pennsylvania Department of Education requires a 5-day closure for seven positive cases in a 14-day rolling period. As of right now, Marion Elementary School will return to in-person instruction on Monday, May 3rd and BVAHS and BVAMS are operating as usual for in-person instruction.

Cases for today and current 14-day rolling period:

Building	# of Positive Cases	# of Positive Cases in 14-day Rolling Period
BVAHS	0	1
BVAMS	0	0
MES	0	4
RES	2	7

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. We are seeing an increase in cases in our district.

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 are following the recommendations from the PA Department of Health and the PA Department of Education, 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