



SCHOOL DISTRICT 149

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Dear Parents and Diekman School Staff,

On March 19, 2020, I was notified by a staff member of Diekman School that was indirectly exposed to the coronavirus disease, (COVID-19) on March 15th while visiting a relative who later tested positive. I immediately notified the Diekman staff and community through the District's Facebook page and the District's website. I assured the community, I would immediately notify them of the staff member's test results and today, I was notified by the staff member who tested positive. That staff member reported to work on March 16th, which was 15 days ago and then all schools were shut down by Governor J.B. Pritzker on March 17th. The staff member is currently in self-quarantine until April 6, 2020. Due to health privacy laws, the identity of the staff member will not be released. Please respect the staff member's privacy during this incredibly difficult time.

If anyone is experiencing any signs and symptoms, please consult your physician immediately. Individuals who need medical care should call their medical provider to report their illness prior to seeking care at a clinic, physician's office, or hospital.

Staff exhibiting flu-like symptoms are asked to contact the County Health Department in your region.

Sincerely,
Dr. Shelly Davis Jones
Superintendent