SAU 70

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Dear Families and Staff,

We wanted to provide you with an update regarding COVID-19 in our District. Since moving to masks welcome, we have been monitoring case levels in each of our schools closely. Fortunately, we have been experiencing low numbers of cases since moving to masks welcome. Over the past two weeks, on most days we have had one case per day in one or two of our schools, so usually no more than 2 cases per day for the District as a whole. We have also had days with zero cases in the District. However, this week we have experienced a cluster of cases that appears to have resulted from one of our March Intensive activities. Thus far, it appears as though this is an isolated situation, but we will continue to monitor cases in order to identify whether or not other clusters exist among the March Intensive activities. Our school nurses continue to work closely with families in these situations.

On another note, we are seeing an uptick in other illnesses since moving to masks welcome. We appreciate how our families and staff have been proactive in monitoring for symptoms, and stayed home when ill throughout COVID. We encourage everyone to continue with these practices for all illnesses.

Please remember if you or your child are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, such as fever of 100.4 or higher, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, or new loss of taste and smell, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea, please stay home and away from others and get a COVID-19 test. If you test positive for COVID, you must self-isolate for at least 5 days past the start of symptoms and may return to school with a negative test or 10 days after you receive a positive test.

Thank you for all you are doing to keep students and staff healthy and safe in SAU70.

Sincerely,

Jay Badams Superintendent