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Process to Notify Parents of a Positive COVID-19 Case on a School Campus

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As always, the safety and welfare of our students is our number one priority. In the event that a staff member or student of the Baker County School District tests positive for the coronavirus, the following steps will be taken to notify parents:

- The local health department will conduct a tracing of the staff member’s or student’s contacts during their time on campus and will individually notify the parent of any student who has been in close contact with a positive tested staff member or student as defined by CDC guidelines.
- Federal privacy laws prevent the sharing of the staff member’s or student’s name with the public. The health department will use communication methods that protects this right of the individual.

As a reminder, we ask that you continue to follow the health and safety guidelines outlined below.

- Prior to sending children to school via the bus, walking, or parent drop-off, it is highly recommended that families take temperatures daily. Any person with a fever of 100.0° F or higher should not go to a school site.
- Students and adults should also screen themselves for respiratory symptoms such as cough and shortness of breath prior to coming to school each day. Students and adults experiencing those symptoms should not attend school.
- Students and adults should wash and sanitize their hands regularly throughout the day.
- Masks are optional for students and staff, but recommended when closer than 6 ft for more than 15 minutes.

Again, any student or staff member impacted by coronavirus would be contacted directly by the Baker County Health Department. If you have any questions concerning this process, please contact your child’s school for additional information.

Sincerely,

Sherrie Raulerson
Superintendent of Schools

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