

Message to Families:

October 23, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Today, October 23, 2020, we were notified that a person has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19). We identified students and staff who were considered close contacts and immediately isolated them. Close contacts were sent home and will complete the quarantine period required. The Heath Department may also be in contact with you to provide further information if you were identified as a close contact. The person has been under quarantine and will not return until the quarantine period is complete or medical authorities have determined it is safe for that person to return. We will continue with our normal instruction on Monday, October 26, 2020.

If we need to change from in-person instruction to one of the other models in the Return to School Plan, we will notify you as soon as possible. Please review the models on our website at www. https://www.argyle.k12.wi.us If there is a need to change, we will communicate through School Messenger, text message, and Facebook.

Any students or staff members experiencing illnesses with symptoms resembling those of coronavirus should contact their healthcare provider. Public health will contact you if you have been identified as being in close contact with an individual diagnosed with COVID-19.

The coronavirus is thought to be spread via person-to-person contact through contaminated air droplets from coughing and sneezing by an infected person. As with controlling the spread of other viruses, we urge you to speak to your child about the following prevention measures:

- Wash your hands regularly, especially after using the restroom and before preparing or consuming food. Using soap and hot water, wash for about 20 seconds. Be sure to also wash your fingertips.
- Avoid coughing or sneezing into your hands or in the air. Always try to cough or sneeze into a tissue, then throw the tissue away. If you don't have a tissue, cough/sneeze into your arm.
- As much as you can, avoid touching your eyes, mouth and nose.

The symptoms of coronavirus are similar to the regular seasonal influenza and include fever, lethargy, lack of appetite, and coughing. Some people with coronavirus have reported additional symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. In some situations, the virus can develop into pneumonia.

If you have questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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