

October 6, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have completed the first two days of school in the hybrid model and everyone agrees, it is wonderful to have students back in the classroom.

As hard as everyone is working to stay safe and healthy, there may come a time when one of our students or a staff member has tested positive for COVID-19 and I believe that it is important to outline what our plan is.

When a staff or student test positive:

A general notification will be sent to all members of the Wareham School Community.

Notification will be made to all who were in close contact with the person.

Close contact is defined as - being within 6 feet for at least 10 -15 minutes, while the person was infectious.

All those in close contact must self-quarantine for 14 days after the last exposure to the person who tested positive.

The Board of Health will be contacted immediately and will conduct contact tracing.

If students are quarantined, remote learning will be made available.

The room(s) where the positive person was will be closed for 48 hours and then will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized prior to re-opening,

Should we need to close the schools, we will immediately shift to remote learning for all students. If this occurs, you will be notified of the closure via email, call, and the notice will be posted on social media.

As we enter into the winter months, should school be closed due to inclement weather, we will continue with remote learning and will not miss a day of school.

I clearly understand that our situation presents a hardship to all involved and we look forward to the day all students return to school five days a week.

Thank you and we appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kimberly B. Shaver-Hood

Superintendent