COVID-19 UPDATE

Late yesterday we were informed by the Midland County Health Department (MCHD) that Midland Public Schools has four (4) presumed positive cases of COVID-19 at Jefferson Middle School.

The contact tracing performed with the Midland County Health Department has necessitated a quarantine of 49 staff/students who have been deemed close contacts to a positive-tested individual. The 49 individuals/guardians will be contacted by the MCHD within 24 hours. (If the student/staff is not considered a close contact, they will not be contacted by the MCHD.)

Jefferson Middle School underwent extra disinfecting measures yesterday evening. Our District continues to enforce safety protocols and strict disinfecting measures at all MPS buildings and buses.

We are asking that all families carefully monitor your child for onset of symptoms related to COVID-19 including the signs and symptoms listed below:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19. Do not send your child to school if any of these signs/symptoms are present.

Please know Midland Public Schools is taking the level of concern of COVID-19 very seriously and continues to monitor very closely. It our highest priority to keep students and staff safe and healthy. We appreciate the support and cooperation of all MPS students, staff and families!

Michael E. Sharrow, Superintendent of Schools

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