



# MERCER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Dear Mercer Families,

Today, information has been reported that a Mercer staff member has tested positive for COVID-19. That staff member works at Mercer Middle/High School and was last in the building on Oct. 29, 2020. The staff member was asymptomatic while in the building, with the onset of symptoms beginning over the weekend. We will be relying on the PA Department of Health for ongoing guidance related to contract tracing and/or other recommendations. Any person(s) identified by the PADOH as a direct contact risk will be contacted directly by the PADOH or District administration. No further action is being recommended at this time.

Please know that we are following safety and cleaning procedures and protocols. Additional cleaning will be conducted today, Wednesday, November 4, 2020. We will keep you updated should more information become available.

In the interim, please continue to monitor family members for symptoms and follow the daily health screening tool instructions. It is also important that parents notify your school principal and/or school nurse should your child test positive and/or be informed of a direct exposure risk to COVID-19 through friends or family. Additionally, please do not ask members of our team for more details or for names as we are not permitted to share individual health data due to privacy requirements.

Thank you,

Ronald R. Rowe, Jr., Ed.D.  
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