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COVID-19 Update

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October 28, 2020 Update Summary

- **Two (2) new COVID-19 positive case at BHS (Case #15 and #16) have been identified.**
- **Close contacts of Cases #15 and #16 have been identified by contact tracers, and are being instructed to quarantine.**
- **There are currently eighteen (18) quarantined close contacts of the BHS COVID-19 positive cases identified to date.**
- **As of today, there are eight (8) active COVID-19 positive cases in the BHS Community, and eight (8) cases have recovered.**

Dear parents, caregivers, and guardians:

Today, I was informed by the Bedford Board of Health of a 15th and 16th Case of COVID-19 within the Bedford High School (BHS) Community since the start of school in mid-September. Cases #15 and #16 are now in isolation at home. Investigations revealed that of the two, only Case #15 was present in school during their infectious period and did have one close contact. All close contacts (in and out of school) of Cases #15 and #16 identified were instructed to quarantine for fourteen (14) days after the last exposure to them.

As of today, October 28, Cases #15 and #16 are two (2) of eight (8) currently active COVID-19 cases at BHS. There are currently eighteen (18) BHS community members in quarantine.

Information on close contact identification, contacting tracing and where and when to get tested, can be found in our [FAQ](#).

We remind parents/guardians/caregivers that it is imperative that all Bedford Public School students be evaluated for [symptoms of COVID-19](#) each day before sending them off to school. Teachers and school staff are required to do the same self-evaluation for symptoms. These measures, taken in combination, greatly reduce the risk of transmission.

We will continue to be vigilant in adhering to all of the protocols that have been put in place in an effort to continue in person learning via our current hybrid model. We are also providing remote learning for all students required to quarantine at home to continue to provide instruction, structure, and an emotional connection to the classroom during a time that we know will be challenging for those children and families involved.

We are committed to continuous communication with and support of our families. If there is additional transmission as a result of these cases or a separate case, we will send out another message immediately. Thank you for your continued support.

Wishing you continued health,

Sincerely,

Philip Conrad
Superintendent