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## Byron Area Schools

November 22, 2020

Dear Parents:

We have received information with respect to COVID-19 this weekend which leads to the following decisions for Byron Area Schools:

- One of our elementary school teachers has tested positive with COVID-19. Following the required contact tracing protocols, 8 staff members are required to quarantine. We already had 1 teacher in quarantine from the end of last week. Since this new situation impedes our staffing capacity for our elementary school, **all of our elementary school students will be moving to virtual instruction beginning tomorrow, November 23rd through Monday, November 30th.** As of today, our elementary staff and students will be able to return to in person learning on Tuesday, December 1st.
- Working through our safety protocols, all students and staff who have been in close contact with the positive elementary teacher have been identified and are currently being notified. A close contact is defined as a person who is within 6 feet or less for 15 minutes in duration, cumulatively in a 24 hour period.
- Child Care will continue to be open.
- Preschool will continue to be open for in person learning.
- One of our middle school students has also tested positive with COVID-19. Working through our safety protocols, all students and staff who have been in close contact have been identified and notified. A close contact is defined as a person who is within 6 feet or less for 15 minutes in duration, cumulatively in a 24 hour period. **Our middle school students will continue with in person instruction for tomorrow and Tuesday, November 24th.**
- Bussing will continue to be provided for our middle school students. Please keep in mind, the timing will be different since our elementary and high school students will not be riding the bus.
- All of our high school students will continue with learning through our virtual platform with Google Suite.
- Remember Wednesday, November 25th is not scheduled as an instructional day, in person or virtual.

We will continue to stay in contact with the Shiawassee Health Department and monitor this situation closely and keep you informed. Please continue to monitor members of your household for onset of symptoms related to COVID-19, including fever, cough, difficulty breathing, headache, or new fatigue. If you note any change in the health of your child, please call your regular medical provider.

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We must protect the confidentiality of affected individuals. If you have any questions regarding the content of this letter, please feel free to contact me at 810.266.4881 or the Shiawassee County Health Department at 989.743.2356.

Educationally Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tricia".

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