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Superintendent

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Dear Mansfield Staff and Families,

It was an active weekend for COVID testing results. We learned of three cases among the Mansfield Public Schools community. These include one case at Goodwin School, one member that has contacts in both Vinton School and Mansfield Middle School, and one central office employee. The good news is that none of the cases resulted in the identification of any direct contacts. This is due to the careful adherence of our staff and students to the mitigation strategies we have in place. These practices are helping to keep our school community healthy.

Once again, the local health data from last week shows a significant number of positive cases within the community and appears to be the lingering effect of the holidays. We must continue to be diligent and continue to maintain the good practices of wearing masks, washing hands, and remaining physically distanced from others while refraining from gathering with those outside our own household. We are proving that despite a greater number of cases in the local area, we are able to safely operate schools and for that we are all grateful.

As a reminder, continue to also monitor your own health and that of family members watching for the signs of COVID-19 listed below.

- Fever (100.4° Fahrenheit or higher)
- Chills or shaking chills
- Uncontrolled new cough (not due to other known cause, such as chronic cough)
- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- New loss of taste or smell
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Stay home and call your medical provider to report these symptoms and ask about testing prior to seeking in-person care at a clinic, physician's office, or hospital.

Sincerely,



Kelly M. Lyman