

Hopewell Area School District

2354 Brodhead Road
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March 8, 2021

Dear Hopewell Parents/Guardians,

The District was made aware of one (1) positive COVID case at Hopewell Elementary School. The case involves a student in fourth grade who was not in school last week, but did ride the bus in the morning of March 2. The student was greeted by the school nurse and did not enter the building. This student WAS considered to be infectious while on the school bus. All close contacts on the school bus have been notified. Per direction from the Department of Health, this case counts toward our school closure counts. This case represents our second case within a fourteen day period at Hopewell Elementary, therefore, the District is typically required to close the building for 3-7 days. The Department of Health, however, has reviewed the case and is not requiring closure.

The District has disinfected the bus as well as the classrooms where the student and the close contacts were assigned. The Department of Health has allowed the District to consider our school closure to include Saturday, Sunday, and today (March 6-8) to count as our school closure. **Hopewell Elementary will be open for learners tomorrow morning.**

It is critical that all Hopewell parents monitor their child's health and keep your child home from school if exhibiting any symptoms. Additionally, please report any COVID testing or symptoms to the school nurse.

Should you have questions, please reach out to your building school nurse or principal. Our priority remains focused on the safety of all students, families and staff.

With Viking PRIDE-

Dr. Michelle Miller
Superintendent