

Solon Schools COVID-19 Update

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Dear Solon High School Families,

Last week two of our Solon High School students were exposed to one of the three individuals in Cuyahoga County who have since tested positive for COVID-19, the coronavirus. The affected students are in self-quarantine per the directions of the Cuyahoga County Board of Health.

Solon High School and district administrators consulted with public health officials this evening to be certain we are following the appropriate and most-current guidance for schools. According to the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, there is no reason for the school to close or other individuals to be quarantined at this time. Solon High School will be in session tomorrow.

In addition to the heightened daily cleaning regimens in classroom and common areas districtwide that began last week, our staff is again sanitizing and disinfecting the classrooms and common areas with exceptional attention and care this evening. If the recommendations from public health officials change in any way, we will take immediate and appropriate steps for the safety of our students, staff members and families.

It is important that everyone continue to practice the commonsense precautions to help prevent the spread of all illnesses, including respiratory viruses.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing; using the restroom; and before eating or preparing food.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol base. Every classroom, cafeteria and common area in all Solon Schools have sanitizer dispensers.
- Stay home when you are sick. Students should not return to school until they have been fever free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- Avoid touching your face, eyes, nose and mouth.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue directly into the trash. If a tissue is not available, use the bend of your elbow.

Thank you for your support of our students and we will stay in communication with you as we continue to monitor this situation.