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This letter is to inform you that an individual at PMRS PreK, an individual at Bolger Middle School and an individual at Keansburg High School have tested positive for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). The District is coordinating closely with public health officials and following CDC, state, and local health department guidance in order to assure the health and safety of our community. Any individual identified as a possible close contact has been identified and instructed on quarantine.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We encourage parents and students to continue following the [Centers for Disease Control & Prevention](https://www.cdc.gov/diseasecontrol) promoted safeguards, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering while in school; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for symptoms

Additionally, and of utmost importance, IF YOU HAVE YOUR CHILD TESTED DUE TO SYMPTOMS OR EXPOSURE, PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL WHILE AWAITING RESULTS. This action unnecessarily increases the possibility of exposure and the spread of the virus. Instead, please notify the school and await further direction. IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS, INCLUDING ALL MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD, ARE EXPECTED TO QUARANTINE AWAITING RESULTS AS WELL.

As always, we appreciate our community's support and cooperation. You can assist us by remaining vigilant but sensible in your approach to dealing with this health concern. Below are some resources that might be helpful:

- NJDOH COVID-19 Information for Communities and the General Public: https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019_community.shtml
- Get the Facts about Coronavirus: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- Symptoms of COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>
- Testing: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/testing/index.html>;
<https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/testing>
- How to Protect Yourself: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>
- What to Do if You Are Sick: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>

Sincerely,

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