

COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL

QUESTIONS REGARDING A POSITIVE CASE IN MY SCHOOL

IN THE EVENT OF A POSITIVE CASE:

- PRINCIPALS WILL SEND A "LOW RISK OF EXPOSURE " NOTIFICATION TO PARENTS OF STUDENTS WITHIN THE SAME CLASSROOM OR BUS IN THE EVENT OF A POSITIVE STUDENT CASE.
- <u>IF</u> MORE THAN ONE CLASSROOM OR AREA HAS BEEN EXPOSED, COMMUNICATION WILL BE SENT TO THE <u>ENTIRE BUILDING</u>. PARENTS OF STUDENTS FOUND TO BE "CLOSE CONTACTS" (BASED ON CDC GUIDELINES)WILL BE NOTIFIED DIRECTLY.
- HR WILL SEND NOTIFICATION TO ALL STAFF IF THERE IS A POSITIVE CASE WITHIN THE BUILDING AND "CLOSE CONTACTS" WILL BE NOTIFIED DIRECTLY.



If a school district employee is asked to share any known information related to a positive case, please refer to the script below for an appropriate response:

"The school has been notified of a confirmed positive case of COVID-19 in the building, however, this information is protected by law through HIPAA. The DuPage County Health Department is conducting contact tracing and will advise parents/guardians by phone if their student had close contact with a positive case. In an effort to keep our school community healthy and safe we require that anyone with one or more symptoms of COVID-19 not return to school without an alternate diagnosis from a health professional, negative COVID test, or completion of a required quarantine period. We will continue these procedures, in addition to mask wearing, social distancing, increased cleaning protocols, and regular hand-washing to help stop the spread of COVID-19."

