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Caledonia Community Schools

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Dear Parent(s) & Guardian(s):

As some of you may be aware, at 2:00 p.m. this afternoon we received information that the Kent County Health Department(KCHD) and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services(MDHHS) updated the guidance pertaining to the quarantining of students who have been in close contact with a person positive with COVID-19. We encourage families to read the attached information that was released from the Kent Intermediate School District.

Since this statement has just been released this afternoon, we wanted to inform families that we will be reviewing this revised guidance from the health department as soon as they become available to us next week. We anticipate that direction from the KCHD will come by Tuesday (possibly sooner) and we will put out updated communication once we have it available. It is very important that we take time to understand the full scope of this new guidance and consult with our local health department before we can make an informed decision with regards to any necessary changes. I will consult with our local Board of Education and administration team to ensure we use any data, science and advice of medical experts to keep our students, staff and community safe.

Since this revision only pertains to quarantining of students, we will continue current practices (testing athletes, mask requirements, etc) that follow the MDHHS requirements and make any necessary recommended quarantine changes after updated guidance is released by the KCHD. We strongly recommend that all students who are currently quarantining remain home until further direction is communicated to help ensure end of year activities continue on as planned. We want to thank our families for their patience and continued support as we navigate through these ever changing times.

Sincerely,

Dr. Dedrick Martin Superintendent

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