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Dear Faculty and Families,

I am writing to you today to inform you that the following member of CPS has tested positive for COVID-19 and is isolating:

- **One staff member of WJMS**

As soon as the District was made aware of this confirmed diagnosis, Colchester Public Schools (CPS) notified the Chatham Health District (CHD) to assess the risk of transmission. Based on the guidance provided by the CHD, the District has taken the following steps below to keep our community safe.

1) Isolation: The staff member of our community who has tested positive for COVID-19 has followed medical recommendations to isolate. Please understand that more specific information will not be shared due to privacy concerns.

2) Contact Tracing: In this case CPS staff and CHD have already reached out to those who came into contact with the individual who has tested positive and have asked them to self-isolate. CHD will conduct community-based contact tracing as necessary.

3) Continuity of Education: As a result of staff isolating, a **Team at WJMS** will move to remote instruction for 10 calendar days.

The District will continue to monitor this situation and will use sound decision making based on guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and CHD to maintain safety and continue instruction. Please feel free to contact us for specific questions or concerns.

Thank you, as always, for your support and partnership as we work to keep our students, staff, and community safe.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey E. Burt