Dear Wildcat Families,

This past week we identified 4 individuals that tested positive for COVID-19 that were on our campus. When this occurs, we use classroom seating charts and speak with teachers to identify and trace close contacts. A close contact is defined as an individual that was within 6 feet of the positive case for a period of 15 minutes or longer. Close contacts are asked to call home for pick up, and parents receive a follow-up phone call from either the nurse or administration. Close contacts follow one of three paths:

- If the close contact has had COVID-19 within the past 90 days, they may remain/return to school. They are strongly encouraged to wear a face covering for 14 days. Parents must present a copy of their child’s positive lab results.
- If the close contact has been vaccinated, they may remain/return to school. They are strongly encouraged to wear a face covering for 14 days and it is recommended that the student be tested 3 to 5 days after the exposure. We ask that parents present a copy of their child’s vaccination card to the school nurse.
- If the close contact has not been vaccinated, they are required to quarantine for 10 days from the date of their last exposure to the positive case. Parents may opt to have their student receive an antigen or PCR COVID test after the 5th day if they have been symptom free, and if that test is negative the student may return after the 7th day from the last exposure.

Close contacts will receive a personal phone call from the nurse or administration to review the date of exposure and the options listed above. Families of students who share the same classes but are not identified as close contacts will receive a general exposure email from the school.

We have asked teachers to keep their Google Classrooms up to date with course work and assignments to support students who have been asked to quarantine. Students and parents are encouraged to reach out to the teachers directly for clarification and additional information. Students will be offered plenty of time to catch up on their course work upon their return to school.

We have had several families call their child in absent because they have shown signs of COVID-19. Since these students have not been on campus, when they have reported a positive test, it has not resulted in any other students being asked to quarantine. I thank these families on behalf of the Mohave learning community.

Each week, SUSD nurses report the number of active cases to the district and to Maricopa County Public Health. This data can be found on the SUSD Dashboard. [https://www.susd.org/Page/4732](https://www.susd.org/Page/4732)

Next week, we will host Mohave’s Curriculum Night on Tuesday, August 17th from 6 to 8 PM. This program is meant for parents and guardians. Please, if you can, keep your child at home. Parents should report to their student’s 1st period classroom. The program will begin promptly at 6 PM with video announcements from Dr. Asmussen, Nurse Sharp, and PTO. Parents will then walk their student’s schedule, spending 10 minutes in each class learning about the standards that will be addressed this year.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday night. Although not mandated, face coverings are strongly encouraged.
If you have any questions about COVID 19 protocols, our curriculum night, or anything related to Mohave – please do not hesitate to reach out directly to the school.

Thank you,

Dr. Asmussen
Principal