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Dear School Community,

Millcreek-West Unity Schools are committed to the safety and health of our students and staff. Recently, we were informed that a staff member tested positive for COVID-19. We are working closely with the Williams County Health Department and as a part of the COVID-19 investigation, someone from school and/or the health department will notify anyone identified as a close contact.

We ask you to take the following steps and to monitor your child's health:

- 1. As a precaution, consider postponing plans for play dates, family visits, and social activities for the next 14 days.
- 2. Continue to check your child for COVID-19 symptoms daily: fever or chills, new uncontrolled cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, new onset of severe headache, especially with fever.
 - If anyone in your household develops symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19, they should immediately isolate and contact their medical provider.
 - If NO symptoms develop and you have not been instructed to quarantine, your child may continue to attend school.

Thank you for helping to keep people safe and to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community and school.

For answers to your COVID-19 questions, call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634) or visit <u>coronavirus.ohio.gov</u>. Resources from the CDC include:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/symptom-screening.html

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/community/schoolschildcare/Daily-Home-Screening-for-Students-Checklist-ACTIVE-rev5A.pdf

Your mental health is just as important as your physical health. If you or a loved one are experiencing anxiety related to the coronavirus pandemic, help is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Call the COVID-19 CareLine at 1-800-720-9616.

Sincerely,

Jim Wvse Superintendent