



Dallas Center-Grimes Community School District

Administration Center

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DCG Families,

With the start of the school year right around the corner we are excited to have your students back with us! We want to let you know that we are taking every opportunity to keep our students safe. As we continue to learn more about the process of when there is a positive COVID-19 case, we are working very closely with both the Dallas and Polk County Health Departments on proper procedures. Contact tracing is an important procedure. One of the ways to help us contact trace is by having students sit in assigned seats. From the bus, to the classroom, lunch and special/encore classes, we are working to keep your child with small groups of students so it is easy for us to be able to tell who they are in close contact with from day to day. Keeping students in small groups also helps to reduce the chances of community spread.

If your child receives a positive COVID-19 test result during school hours, please contact your building secretary. If your child receives a positive COVID-19 test result after school hours please let us know immediately by calling the DCG COVID-19 Hotline at **515-985-8430** between the hours of 3:15 pm - 9:30 pm and 6:00 am - 8:00 am.

If your child has been in close contact with someone that tests positive for COVID-19 the building principal will be in contact with you through a phone call to your first contact number listed in Infinite Campus informing you of the situation. The most recent guidance we are receiving from the Dallas and Polk County Health Departments is that children in close contact with a positive COVID-19 case will need to be in quarantine for 14 days. To learn more about what is defined as close contact, please click [this website](#). Students or staff in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 must be quarantined regardless of a negative test result. During that time, if your child is well, they may join in learning by completing their assignments online or in packet form.

If you have any additional questions please contact your building nurse. Thank you for your cooperation and support. We are looking forward to having your students back in our hallways to begin a new year.

Sincerely,
Scott Grimes, Superintendent