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Dear Parents/Guardians:

THE MACOMB COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT (MCHD) HAS IDENTIFIED A CONFIRMED CASE OF CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) IN A STUDENT/STAFF PERSON AT WILL L. LEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. The MCHD and Richmond Community Schools are working closely to identify persons who may have been exposed. If your child is identified as a close contact, you will receive a telephone call from administration and a separate communication from a health department staff member.

DUE TO STAFF EXPOSURE TO A CONFIRMED CASE THE DISTRICT WILL BE FORCED TO CLOSE THE BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER SCHOOL CHILDCARE PROGRAM, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. The District's childcare program is expected to re-open on Monday, October 12, 2020.

The virus that causes COVID-19 is thought to spread mainly through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks. Spread is more likely when people are in close contact with one another (within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes). Illness begins 2 to 14 days after a person is exposed. The symptoms of COVID-19 can include: fever, cough, shortness of breath, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, runny or stuffy nose, loss of taste or smell, and abdominal pain.

It is extremely important that parents/guardians monitor their children closely and complete at-home screening each day, including a temperature check, prior to sending their child to school. Please notify the school if your child is exhibiting any symptoms and keep them home until you can see your healthcare provider.

If you have questions, feel free to contact us here at school. Additionally, you can contact the Macomb County Health Department Communicable Disease Program at (586) 783-8190.

Thanks for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Brian J. Walmsley, Ed.S.
Superintendent

Guaranteed Learning for All Students!