



THOMPSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Good Afternoon Thompson Families,

Today the district received notification that three students at Thompson Middle School (TMS) in grades five, six and eight have tested positive for COVID-19. This will impact three cohort classes of students. Members of our nursing team will be contacting the parents of students who have been determined to be close contacts by the end of the day.

Twelve members of the TMS faculty and staff have also been identified as close contacts and must quarantine. As a result, the district will be forced to switch all students in grades five through eight back to remote learning due to lack of substitute coverage beginning tomorrow, February 11, 2021. Today, students were instructed to bring home materials and supplies to prepare for distance learning.

TMS students, faculty and staff will be allowed to return to school on Thursday, February 18th.

As a reminder to all, schools will not be in session Monday, February 15th through Wednesday, February 17th due to winter break and professional development. All students, preschool to grade twelve, will return to onsite classes on Thursday, February 18th.

We certainly understand the hardship going back to remote learning places on students and their families. We are doing our best to implement appropriate mitigation strategies to keep our school environment healthy, safe, and open.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to reach out to your child's school nurse or contact Shannon Grauer, Director of Nurses at (860) 617-3873 or by email Sgrauer@thompsonpublicschools.org.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools
