



## LIVINGSTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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DATE: 10/30/2020

RE: Livingston County Health Department School Quarantine Process Update

Dear Livingston County School Administrators,

Due to increasing cases of COVID-19 in the Livingston County community and the resulting strain placed on local public health capacity, the Livingston County Health Department (LCHD) is updating the School Quarantine Notification Process. We hope this improves efficiency without affecting the quality of information communicated to the parents and guardians.

LCHD staff is no longer making individual quarantine calls to students and staff who are identified as close contacts to a case in a school building. In lieu of this process, LCHD will now send an email to parents and guardians within 24 hours that contains the following information developed by LCHD (see attached):

- Quarantine Informational Video for Parents and Guardians
  - This five minute video explains the quarantine process and provides answers to the most commonly asked questions.
- Informational Packet
  - Quarantine Guide for Parents and Guardians
  - LCHD Letter to School Communities
  - COVID-19 Community Resource Quick Sheet
- Quarantine Letter for Students and Staff

If parents still have questions, they are encouraged to call the LCHD.

Our expectation is that the video resource as well as the packet of information should provide parents/guardians with all the information they may need. We include a phone number and email to contact us with any questions they may have. However, we have also attached additional resources that provide background information for school administrators and staff (see attached).

- Quarantine Process Instructions for Schools
- Quarantine Talking Points for Schools

We expect no other changes in regards to our close working relationship with the schools, including notification of cases and providing a list of quarantined students.

This change will be evaluated on a continual basis. We welcome feedback to understand challenges and improve our process. If we find that this process is causing difficulties to the school staff, we will re-evaluate additional strategies.

This process will take effect starting on Saturday, 10/31/2020. Please contact LCHD with questions at 517-552-6836.

Regards,

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