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COVID-19 Low-Risk Exposure Notification

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Dear Cass Junior High School Parents and Families,

The purpose of this letter is to make you aware that Cass School District 63 was notified that an individual at Cass Junior High School has tested positive for COVID-19. The individual was last in school on Thursday, May 20 and did not exhibit symptoms in the school setting. After the positive test results were received, school district administrators immediately began investigating and collecting facts regarding the case, including determining any "close contacts" per Illinois Department of Public Health guidance. As a result of that investigation, it was determined that there were 10 close contacts at school and the necessary notifications have been made.

According to the Illinois Department of Public Health, a "close contact" is anyone (with or without a face covering) who was within 6 feet of a confirmed case of COVID-19, for at least 15 minutes throughout the course of a day. The period of close contact begins two calendar days before the onset of symptoms (for a symptomatic person) or two calendar days before the positive sample was obtained (for an asymptomatic person).

This case is classified as a low-risk exposure for all individuals who have not already been identified and contacted. The school district followed all necessary procedures and will continue to monitor the situation as we do with any cases or close contacts in the school setting. In addition to this information, the school district will continue to communicate with our parents and school community regarding this case in the event it is necessary to do so.

Additional information on our cases, close contacts and procedures is available at www.cassd63.org. We will continue our work to keep your children safe and we ask that you continue to do your part at home. Please reach out with any questions or concerns at all.

Sincerely,

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