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Dear Chippewa Parent,

Chippewa Local Schools is committed to the safety and health of our students and staff. We want to inform you that we have recently received information about a staff member at the Jr-Sr HS with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in our district. Cleaning and disinfecting of the exposed locations has been completed.

We are working closely with Wayne County Health Department and they are completing their trace contact protocols. The staff member was not symptomatic during the time school was in session. The health department or Chippewa Local School Nurse as a part of COVID-19 trace contact investigation will notify anyone identified as a close contact.

**How You Can Help**

Be proactive about reducing the number of interactions those students and staff have with one another by practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart) to limit the spread of COVID-19. In addition to physical distancing, these important tools help to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Stay home when you are sick.
- Wear a mask or face covering while in public places or if people who don't live with you must visit your home.
- Avoid unnecessary gatherings with people who don't live in your home.
- Avoid sharing food, drinks, or utensils.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Sing the Happy Birthday song twice to help know when it has been 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizers that contain at least 60% alcohol.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and then dispose of the tissue and wash your hands immediately. If you do not have a tissue, use your sleeve, not

your hands, to cover coughs and sneezes. If you are experiencing cough or congestion, consider staying home and seeking medical care.

- Regularly clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipes. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends cleaning of frequently touched surfaces with household cleaners and EPA-registered disinfectants that are appropriate for the surface, following label instructions. A simple bleach solution may also be utilized.

If you have any questions, contact Chippewa Local Schools, 330-658-6368 or the Wayne County Health Department at 330-264-9590. Thank you for helping to keep people safe and to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community and school.

For answers to your COVID-19 questions, call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634) or visit [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov) .

Your mental health is just as important as your physical health. If you or a loved one are experiencing anxiety related to the coronavirus pandemic, help is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Call COVID-19 CareLine at 1-800-720-9616.

Sincerely,

Todd S. Osborn, Superintendent  
Chippewa Local Schools

COVID-19 Symptoms: [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov)

- Fever or chills
- A cough
- Fatigue
- Runny nose
- Sore Throat
- Loss of taste or smell
- Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, headache

