

October 4, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Late this afternoon, the district was informed of two positive tests for COVID-19 at Horseheads Middle School. In order to conduct contact tracing and out of an abundance of caution, the Middle/Intermediate School complex will be closed to in-person learning beginning tomorrow (Monday, October 5) through Wednesday, October 7. All students at the Middle and Intermediate schools should connect remotely beginning tomorrow. We will update you as we hear more information.

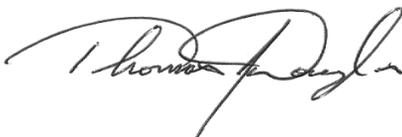
Meal pick-up for students enrolled at the Middle and Intermediate Schools will be available. If you have a Middle or Intermediate student and would like to pick up meals for Monday-Wednesday, please call the Food Services Office at (607) 739-5601, x3671.

All other schools will open as scheduled tomorrow for Cohort A. If you choose to keep home a child who is a sibling of an Intermediate/Middle School student, please have the sibling connect remotely as well.

The health and safety of our students, staff, and families are our highest priorities. Our schools, buses, and offices have been and continue to be sanitized and disinfected daily using the most effective state-approved products available to schools. We are following all cleaning protocols required by the state and doing all that we can to protect the health and safety of our students and staff. We also would like to remind everyone to please follow best practices and wear masks, maintain safe distancing, wash hands well and often, and stay home when possible.

If you have questions about COVID-19, please contact the Health Department at 607-737-2028 or your health provider. If you have questions about your child's education, please contact your school office. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Dr. Thomas J. Douglas  
Superintendent of Schools