

# QUINCY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Quincy Public Schools Staff, Students, and Parents,

I am writing today to update you on recent COVID-19 diagnoses among Quincy Public Schools staff members and to reassure you of the protocols in place for communication, quarantining/testing, and cleaning/sanitizing in consultation with City of Quincy Health Commissioner Ruth Jones. As you may know, Quincy Public Schools is providing in-person Summer School programming for Special Education program students at two locations: North Quincy High School (90 students and 31 staff) and the Della Chiesa Early Childhood Center (57 students and 29 staff). These programs are scheduled for Monday through Thursday each week and began on Monday, July 6. In addition to custodians in all school buildings, Quincy Public Schools administrative staff members are working at the Coddington Building (30 staff members), North Quincy High School (5 administrative staff members), and Quincy High School (5 administrative staff members plus 5 Central Registration staff members).

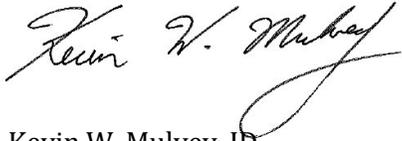
- On Saturday, July 11, a NQHS Summer program staff member notified Director of Special Education Erin Perkins of a positive COVID-19 Test. This staff member was at school Monday, July 6 through Wednesday, July 8.
  - The other staff member in the classroom and the parents of the five students in the classroom were notified by phone on Saturday, July 11 by Special Education Department staff and instructed to seek testing and quarantine for 14 days from the date of last exposure. These students will continue their summer programming remotely during this period.
  - All other NQHS Summer Program staff and parents were notified by Instant Alert phone call and email on Saturday, July 11.
- On Wednesday, July 15, a Della Chiesa Early Childhood Center Summer program staff member notified Special Education Team Administrator Julie Graham of exposure to COVID-19 positive contacts. This staff member was at school Monday, July 6 through Thursday, July 9 and Monday, July 13 and Tuesday, July 14. They received a positive test result on Thursday, July 16.
  - The other staff member in the classroom and the parents of the seven students in the classroom were notified by phone on Wednesday, July 15 by Special Education Department staff and instructed to seek testing and quarantine for 14 days from the date of last exposure. These students will continue their summer programming remotely during this period.
  - All other Della Chiesa ECC Summer Program staff and parents were notified by a phone call and a letter sent home with students on Thursday, July 16.
- On Wednesday, July 15, a Quincy High School Administrative staff member notified Principal Lawrence Taglieri of COVID-19 symptoms. This staff member was in the office on Monday, July 6 through Friday, July 10 and Monday, July 13 and Tuesday, July 14. They received a positive test result on Thursday, July 16.
  - Three other administrative staff members at Quincy High School were instructed to seek testing and/or quarantine for 14 days from the date of last exposure.

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Please know that in all cases, as soon as information about presumed or confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 was shared, the notification process began to staff and families, and the custodial staff was notified to give extra attention for cleaning and sanitizing the affected areas. At all times, the health and safety of our students, staff, and their families is of the utmost importance to me and I will continue to share information as it becomes available.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin W. Mulvey, JD". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Kevin W. Mulvey, JD

Interim Superintendent of Schools