



BAD AXE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Bad Axe Schools has been in contact with the Huron County Health Department today regarding a presumed or confirmed COVID-19 case amongst students, teachers, or staff member who was present within our 7th and 8th grades at the Bad Axe High School under circumstances that may result in the transmission or contraction of COVID-19 during their infectious period.

Due to the number of individuals identified during the contact tracing process, ALL 7th and 8th grade students will transition to learning virtually effective tomorrow December 10 through December 18. Pending any further Emergency Orders, this means students in grades 7-12 will not return for in-person learning until January 4, 2021. Our Elementary and Middle School buildings will continue to provide in-person instruction.

These actions is in accordance with our Preparedness and Response Plan which also includes:

- Cleaning and disinfecting of the exposed location will continue to be completed.
- If your child was in close contact with a confirmed individual, you will be contacted by the Huron County Health Department. Please take their call and follow the recommendations they provide.
- All confirmed cases should be isolated and close contacts quarantined for 14 days from last exposure in order to prevent illness in new persons. "Close contact" means being a household member, intimate contact, or caregiver of a confirmed or suspected COVID-19 case; within 6 feet of the confirmed or suspected COVID-19 case for more than 15 minutes, even if wearing a non-medical face covering; or having unprotected contact with the infected person's body fluids and/or secretions, for example, being coughed or sneezed on.
- Please note that all information, including the name(s) of ill persons, is confidential in order to protect patient privacy.

Additional information will be shared by the High School regarding procedures for pickup of necessary materials or personal items. Our continued thanks and appreciation to all of you during these times

For additional questions about COVID-19, please visit the Huron County Health Department at <https://www.hchd.us/>. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Greg Newland at (989) 269-9938, gnewland@badaxeps.org or Kurt Dennis at (989) 269-9593, kdennis@badaxeps.org.

Sincerely,

Gregory M. Newland, Superintendent

Bad Axe Public Schools

District Vision Statement

Empowering successful learners for today, tomorrow, and the future.

District Mission Statement

Bad Axe Public Schools is committed to providing quality education for all students to reach their highest potential academically, socially, and physically.