



Pearl River School District

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Dear Parent/Guardian of children in the following 10th -12th classes:

Yesterday we were notified that a teacher at Pearl River High School tested positive for COVID-19. Based upon our information and consultation with the Rockland County Department of Health (RCDOH), your child **may have been directly exposed** to this positive case on Monday, November 23, 2020 and/or Tuesday, November 24, 2020. **IF your child(ren) were in one of the classes noted below, they are required to quarantine through Tuesday, December 8, 2020.** However, **if your child(ren) were not in the classes below, no further action is required at this time.**

Classes Impacted:

- Period 1 Study Hall - Cafeteria (A and B day)
- Period 2 AP US History - Room 106
- Period 3 AP US History - Room 106
- Period 5 AP US History - Room 201
- Period 8 Global 10 Honors - Room 106
- Period 9 Global 10 Honors - Room 106

Under the [Rockland County Department of Health regulations](#), anyone directly exposed to a positive case of COVID-19 must quarantine for 14 days from the last date of exposure.

- Please see the [directions published by the RCDOH for Quarantining](#).
- Contact your health care provider for more guidance.
- If your child exhibits symptoms of COVID-19, you must contact your health care provider and the school nurse at 845 620-3819 or Chiovettaj@pearlriver.org.
- Testing negative for COVID-19 does not excuse your child from the full 14 day quarantine period.

We are working cooperatively with the Rockland County Department of Health and NYS contact tracers to provide them with your contact information as required by law. They will contact you directly. If you see a call from the Department of Health, NYS Contact Tracing, or a 518 area code, please respond promptly. Please know that your identity and the information you share will remain confidential. Cooperation with Contact

Tracers and adhering to quarantine directions are vital to minimizing the spread of this virus in our school community.

During this period of quarantine your child will be able to participate in remote learning. Your child can log in to each of their classes as they normally do during remote instruction days, if they are feeling well enough to do so.

If your child has not experienced any symptoms and has not tested positive for COVID-19, you will receive a letter from the Rockland County Department of Health releasing your child to return to school at the end of the quarantine period. **Please be sure to give your email address to contact tracers so they can issue you a letter to return to school.**

Any questions related to potential exposure, testing, contact tracing or quarantining should be directed to the RCDOH at (845) 238-1956 or by emailing COVIDCallCenter@co.rockland.ny.us.

Please know that we understand the difficulty this may be causing your family. We will work through this together. Should your child be experiencing social or emotional difficulties as a result of this please call the school at (845) 620-3813 or (845) 620-3812 so we may arrange for their school counselor, a school psychologist, or the school's social worker to speak to your child.

Feel free to contact me at murphym@pearlriver.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Murphy