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Marco F. Pochintesta, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Pearl River School Community,

Since my last update on Wednesday, January 13th, we were notified of eight new positive cases of COVID-19 in the District: two students at Evans Park School; two students and one staff member at PRHS; one student and one staff member at Lincoln Avenue School, and one staff member at Franklin Avenue School. After consultation with the Rockland County Department of Health (RCDOH), we identified and contacted the parents of all students and staff that were exposed to the positive cases. Anyone exposed to a positive case of COVID-19 must quarantine for 10 days from the last date of exposure and continue to monitor for symptoms for four additional days. We are working cooperatively with the RCDOH to provide them with contact information for those who may have been exposed.

In addition to the cases mentioned, we have a number of faculty, staff and students in all schools who are under quarantine from exposures outside of school.

Our protocols, including mask wearing, cleaning and sanitizing, frequent hand washing, monitoring for COVID-19 symptoms and social distancing continue to be implemented in all schools.

We cannot emphasize enough that parents, students and staff members must be just as vigilant in following the public health guidance outside of school, including limiting group gatherings, practicing good hygiene, wearing masks and following social distance guidelines.

As always, the health and safety of students and employees is our top priority. We appreciate your continued support.

We will continue to keep our school community informed regarding how this virus is impacting our schools. I know you join me in wishing our students and staff a quick and complete recovery.

Sincerely,

Dr. Marco F. Pochintesta