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

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Dear Pearl River School Community,

We were informed late yesterday afternoon that a student at Pearl River High School tested positive for COVID-19. Due to federal privacy laws, further information regarding the identity of the individual will not be released. After consulting 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 case. Anyone exposed to a positive case of COVID-19 must quarantine for 14 days from the last date of exposure. We are working cooperatively with the RCDOH to provide them with contact information for those who must now quarantine. NYS Contact Tracers will be contacting those families.

We are confident that the protocols that we have put in place in our schools including social distancing, the requirement for wearing a mask throughout the day, and cleaning and sanitizing practices will help minimize the spread of this virus to others.

Parents must also do their part by checking their child's temperature each morning and checking for any <u>symptoms of COVID-19</u>. Anyone with a fever of 100 degrees or more, or any symptom of COVID-19 must remain home, and parents should contact their health care provider and school nurse.

We will continue to keep our school community informed regarding how this virus is impacting our schools. I know you join me in wishing the student a full and speedy recovery.

Sincerely,

Marco J. Pochentesta