TO:  All Parents/Guardians of Yardville Heights Elementary School

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RE:  COVID-19 Notification

This letter is to notify you that a member of the Yardville Heights Elementary School has tested positive for COVID-19. The Hamilton Township School District is working closely with the Hamilton Division of Health and is following the policies and procedures the district developed in accordance with CDC, State, and Local health guidance to ensure the health and safety of everyone within our community. **Every parent/guardian whose child has been identified to have been in close contact with the members who tested positive has been called by the school. If you did not receive a call, your child was not identified as a close contact.**

The district is cleaning and disinfecting all exposed areas within the school. The School is also taking precautions to prevent the introduction and spread of viruses and other germs and is cleaning frequently touched surfaces daily.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We encourage parents and students to continue practicing the following important health behaviors as recommended by the Hamilton Division of Health:

- Staying home when you are sick
- Washing hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds
- Covering coughs and sneezes using a tissue or the crease of your elbow
- Practicing social distancing by staying at least 6 feet apart from others
- Properly wearing a cloth face covering over your mouth and nose when in public
- Continually monitoring you and your loved ones’ health for symptoms

As always, we appreciate our community’s support and cooperation. You can assist us by remaining vigilant but sensible in your approach to dealing with this health concern. Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to contact your school nurse. Additionally, below are some resources that might be helpful:

- [COVID-19 (CDC)](https://www.cdc.gov)
- [NJ’s COVID-19 Information Hub](https://www.state.nj.us/health/doh/coronavirus/covid19.htm)
- [NJDOH’s COVID-19 Information for Communities](https://www.state.nj.us/health/doh/coronavirus/covid19的信息.html)
- [NJ COVID-19 Rumor Control](https://www.merckmanuals.com/merck manual professional version/infectious diseases/viral diseases/coronavirus

[Hamilton Division of Health](https://www.hamilton-schools.org)