

FARMS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

The Livingston County Health Department has identified multiple related positive COVID-19 cases at Farms Intermediate and thus considered Farms Intermediate to be the site of an outbreak. Students and staff that have met the definition of a close contact have appropriately been identified by Hartland Consolidated Schools and the Livingston County Health Department. These individuals were notified and are excluded from school.

## What does this mean for preventing further spread?

- 1. All 5th and 6th grade students and all Farms staff are <u>required to wear masks at school</u> from Tuesday, November 9th through Tuesday, November 23rd.
- 2. Quarantining within the school setting is suspended during this time (beginning 11/9). Parents will be notified of close contact, but students will not be quarantined unless they test positive for COVID, or are in close contact outside of the school setting.
- 3. Students need to stay home if they are symptomatic.
- 4. Students should stay home if they or family members are awaiting COVID test results.

Unfortunately, those who were quarantined on 11/8 or before, must abide to the quarantine option offered by MDHSS. The new guidelines above do not apply to those students already in quarantine (or quarantined today).

While we know this news is unsettling, please know that we are diligently working to maintain in-person schooling. Our priority is to educate students in a safe learning environment. Please contact the LCHD at 517-546-9850 (website at <u>www.lchd.org</u>) or me at 810-626-2500 if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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C: Chuck Hughes, Superintendent