



# North Middle School

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Dear North Middle School families:

We have received notification from the Snohomish County Health Department there are two *probable* cases of mumps at our school. Information about mumps was shared with families districtwide in January, and the district notified families of unimmunized students in the event of a case being reported in Everett Public Schools.

As part of this process, any student who is not immunized against mumps will be excluded from school for 26 days. ***Now that there are probable cases at our school, the families of students who are not immunized have been notified directly that their child is being excluded from school.***

Mumps symptoms typically include fever, headache, muscle aches, tiredness, and loss of appetite. Its most distinctive symptom is swelling of the cheeks, neck or jaw. Only a health care provider can diagnose and test for mumps. ***Please contact your child's health care provider if your child develops symptoms.***

Please see the attached letter from Gary Goldbaum, Health Officer and Director, Snohomish Health District and learn more about mumps at the following websites:

[Washington Department of Health](#)

**Center for Disease Control:**

[Mumps vaccination](#)

[MMR vaccine – what everyone should know](#)

Please contact the school health room if you need additional assistance.

Sincerely,

Mary O'Brien  
Principal