



March 7, 2020 – message to staff

Voicemail:

Good evening.

This is Everett Public Schools with an important coronavirus update. We are committed to accurate and timely messages to our families and community. We have had new announcements the last several days and a new one tonight, including a Monday and Tuesday school closure at Woodside Elementary. The Snohomish Health District informed us today of a student at Woodside who is exhibiting symptoms of coronavirus and has a parent who tested positive for the virus. The student has been tested, and results are pending.

Due to the close contact with a positively tested parent, and the fact the child also has symptoms, Woodside Elementary will be closed Monday and Tuesday, March 9 and 10. If you have an email on file with the communication system, you will receive detailed information in your email inbox or please look online at the district's website for ongoing up to date information at everettsd.org.

Woodside families will receive more information tomorrow.

Email:

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Good evening Everett Public School Families

The Snohomish Health District informed us today of a student at Woodside Elementary School who is exhibiting symptoms of coronavirus and has a parent who tested positive for the virus. The student has been tested, and results are pending. The student did not attend school for the last week. Due to the close contact with a positively tested parent, and the fact the child also has symptoms, Woodside Elementary will be closed Monday and Tuesday, March 9 and 10. At that time, we hope pending test results will help inform the decision of any further action needed, but the plan is to return to school on Wednesday, March 11. Woodside did receive extra disinfecting on Tuesday night, March 3, as part of the district's disinfecting rotation. During the closure on March 9 and 10 the school will receive an additional intense disinfecting, as well as the buses feeding that school.

Other announcements the district has made in the last 24 hours is the Snohomish Health District and Washington State Department of Health have recommended avoiding gatherings of 50 or more people in order to reduce your risk of contracting the coronavirus. Following this recommendation, Everett Public Schools has decided to limit non-academic after school and weekend events for the month of March. We have also cancelled school assemblies and field trips for the upcoming week. Because the situation is changing very rapidly, the district will be reevaluating all school activities and updating this communication every Friday.

If you have questions about events or field trips at your school, please contact your school directly for information.

As was communicated earlier in the week, if you choose to keep your child home due to concerns about the coronavirus, the absence will be excused. As with every absence, you will need to contact the school and send a note within 30 days of returning to school. You may contact your student's teacher who will communicate with you individually about classroom assignments to allow your student to keep up with their schoolwork while they are physically out.

For more up to date and ongoing information, please visit everettsd.org. Thank you for partnering with us as we navigate this challenging time.

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EPS | This is Everett Public Schools. Please check your email for an important coronavirus update. Thank you.