

# Scotland School

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Dear Parents/Guardians of SES;

This afternoon, Wednesday, January 4, 2022, our school was notified that an individual who was last in school on Monday, January 3, 2022 tested positive for the COVID-19 virus. While we are unable to identify the individual due to the confidential nature of the medical information, we are sending this letter to you so that you receive the correct information about the situation. In cooperation with the Eastern Highlands Health District and our health office, contact tracing this case is complete. The individual who tested positive has been advised to isolate at home following public health guidelines.

**Scotland Elementary School remains open and operating on a normal schedule for all classes.**

**Based on information shared with you on January 2, 2022 if an individual is notified that they are directly exposed to someone with COVID-19 inside of school, regardless of vaccination status: continue to come to school so long as you are symptom free and can effectively wear a mask. Students/staff should monitor for symptoms daily before attending school. We ask that you stay home if experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19: cough, shortness of breath, fever or chills, sore throat, muscle or body aches, vomiting or diarrhea, loss of taste or smell.**

Please remember, we have put many mitigating factors in place to keep our students and staff safe. Face masks, hand washing, hand sanitizing and social distancing are among the many steps we have taken to decrease the chances of exposure. Please continue to utilize these mitigating features to decrease risk.

Please know that we are closely monitoring these situations and we will continue working closely with Eastern Highlands Health District and our health office to optimize school conditions and to isolate these positive cases. We will continue our enhanced cleaning protocols of our schools and will continue to follow all guidance provided by our health office.

As this time may be concerning for students and parents, the CDC has provided wonderful resources ([Talking with Children about COVID-19](#)) for staff and parents to use to help minimize anxiety during these situations. Thank you for your continued support and patience as we work together to promote the health and safety of our team and school community.

Sincerely,  
Ann Knowles, Principal