



BETHEL PARK

SCHOOL DISTRICT

May 9, 2022

Dear Bethel Park Families,

Re: COVID-19 Report: May 9

Over the weekend and today, 14 COVID-19 cases were reported by Bethel Park School District students and staff.

The total cases and most recent days in school for each case were:

- Bethel Park School District (1): May 5
- Bethel Park High School (3): May 9
- Independence Middle School (6): May 9
- Abraham Lincoln Elementary School (2): May 5
- George Washington Elementary School (2): May 5

Bethel Park School District's health and safety protocols mandate that the individuals will remain isolated at home until their symptoms have abated and they have been cleared by a medical professional as being no longer contagious.

If your child is exhibiting symptoms that might be consistent with COVID-19 (fever, headache, muscle or body aches, congestion, loss of taste or smell, night sweats, etc.), we strongly recommend that you reach out to your Primary Care Physician or to a local COVID-19 testing center. Please keep any sick child home until his or her symptoms have passed and he or she has been cleared by a medical professional as being no longer contagious.

In the past, we have asked District families and employees to report positive COVID-19 cases and suspected exposures to a dedicated email address. Going forward, students and staff who test positive for COVID-19, as well as those who have been in close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19, **should complete this COVID-19 Reporting System**. Individuals who are expected to isolate or quarantine, as determined by the submitted responses, will receive an email at the end of the reporting process with specific instructions on the recommended next steps. All other COVID-19-related questions should continue to be sent to covidquestions@bphawks.org.

We sincerely appreciate all of the measures our families continue to take to help keep Bethel Park schools healthy and safe spaces for in-person instruction.

Sincerely,

James Walsh, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Bethel Park School District