

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #2

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Dear Ashland Elementary Families,

Today, we learned that two members of the AES community have been confirmed to have COVID-19. I know our thoughts and concerns are with these individuals. The Department of Health and Human Services has been notified. These individuals were last in attendance at school on Friday, November 20 and as a result of this timing and the Department of Health and Human Services window for identifying close contacts there are no close contacts associated with being at school. Additionally, due to the timing coupled with Thanksgiving break, there is no need for a school closure and school will be open as normal on Monday, November 30.

Due to an empty school building on Wednesday of this week, our facilities staff completed a deep cleaning of all spaces. Therefore, the school is clean and ready to welcome students and staff on Monday.

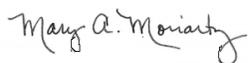
Certainly, this news is unsettling for everyone. Please know that the educational team at AES takes mitigation strategies seriously and as a whole school community will continue to wear masks, physically distant from one another, and regularly engage in hand washing. Thank you to our families for keeping children home when ill and for completing daily your children's health screening prior to arriving at school.

If you have health concerns or symptoms of COVID-19 which are outlined below, please contact your healthcare provider.

Symptoms of COVID-19 can include:

- Fever, or feeling feverish;
- Respiratory symptoms such as runny nose, nasal congestion, sore throat, cough, or shortness of breath;
- General body symptoms such as headache, muscle aches, chills, and severe fatigue;
- Gastrointestinal symptoms such as nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea, and
- Changes in a person's sense of taste or smell.

Respectfully,



Mary Moriarty
Superintendent of Schools