

# Osage Community School District

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*The Mission of the Osage Community Schools is to sustain and enhance a caring community to produce enthusiasm for lifelong learning.*

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Dear Osage staff, parents and community:

We have been notified today by MCPH that 1 elementary staff member, 1 MS staff member, 1 HS staff member, 1 K-12 Staff Member, and 2 MS students at Osage Community Schools have tested positive for COVID-19. The individuals who tested positive are home recovering. The district is working with Mitchell County Public Health to do contact tracing and anyone who was in close contact with these individuals will be contacted by MCPH. If you are not contacted by MCPH, then you were not a close contact. I want to remind our staff and students: if you have [symptoms of COVID-19](#), you should stay home from school.

This week our area has seen an increase in COVID-19 positive cases in the community. **We ask that you please take this seriously and help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in our area. Please practice social distancing, wear a mask in public, and stay home when you are sick! What you do at night and on the weekends will affect what we can do here at school in the weeks ahead.** We encourage all of you to continue following the [CDC's recommendations](#) to remain healthy and well. Our greatest priority is the safety of our students, staff and families. Please continue to take necessary precautions to protect yourself and those around you.

We are grateful for the opportunity to serve you and your family, especially as we face this challenging situation together. Thank you for your support of Osage Community Schools. If you have questions please email me at [bschwamman@osage.k12.ia.us](mailto:bschwamman@osage.k12.ia.us)

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