

Richwoods R-VII School District
10788 State Hwy A, Richwoods, MO 63071
Mrs. Bethany Deal, Superintendent

COVID 19 UPDATE

November 11, 2020

Dear Richwoods Parent/Guardian,

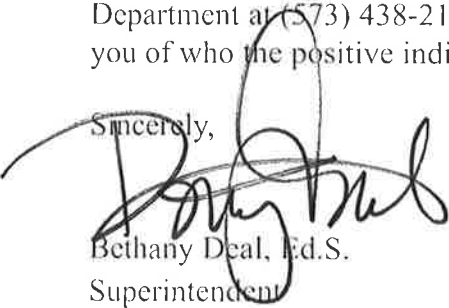
This letter is to inform you that we received word this afternoon, Wednesday, November 11 that an individual at the Richwoods R-VII School District has tested positive for COVID-19. This individual was last on campus Monday, November 9. We are coordinating our efforts with the Washington County Health Department to promptly identify and monitor individuals who have had recent close contact with the COVID-19 positive individual to prevent further spread. *Due to this individual having contact with multiple grade levels in our school, we must close the school at this time. We have made the decision to return to distance learning through the Thanksgiving holiday and the following week to allow families, students and staff time to monitor for symptoms.* We will return to in person learning for students on December 7, 2020.

Buses will continue to run daily for high school students who are in session. Teachers will continue to educate students through Google classroom. Be sure to log in daily for assignments and instructional opportunities. Students are still responsible for assignments during this time. There is a food program available for pick up on Mondays from 3:00-5:00 in the parking lot that provides 7 meals for children ages 0-18. There will be a staff member in the office each day from 8-12 to answer questions by phone.

We are following guidance from our local Health Department and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in order to protect the health and well-being of our students and staff. All families are reminded to please use the daily health screening to assess their children. See the district's website for additional resources and information.

Thank you for your support as we try to keep everyone safe. If you have questions regarding quarantine or concern for your child's health, please contact the Washington County Health Department at (573) 438-2164. The Richwoods School District is not allowed by law to inform you of who the positive individual is.

Sincerely,



Bethany Deal, Ed.S.
Superintendent