



October 1, 2020

Palmerton Area School District Parents, Guardians, and Staff:

I was notified that a senior high school student tested positive for COVID-19. This student is under the care of a doctor and is following the medical advice that was provided. The Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH) will continue to monitor this student as well. Prior to this positive COVID-19 diagnosis, the student was already in quarantine at the direction of medical professionals. Because of this, the student has not been in the high school since September 17.

With this case and any that arise in the future, the administrative team and I will continue to rely on the directives, guidance, and advice of the DOH with regard to contact tracing and quarantining guidelines. We will assist our public health officials with any and all efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19.

As a general reminder to all families and staff, please continue to monitor your own personal health and contact your health care provider with questions or concerns. St. Luke's University Health Network has a 24/7 hotline for families, staff, and community members. You can call 1-866-STLUKES (1-866-785-8537) option 7 with any COVID-19 questions you may have.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jodi Frankelli'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Jodi' being particularly prominent.

Jodi Frankelli, Ed.D.
Superintendent