



# CENTENNIAL SCHOOL | LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

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Dear Centennial Staff, Parents, and Guardians,

This letter is to inform you that we were notified that two individuals that were last in attendance at Centennial School on December 7th and December 11th have subsequently tested positive for COVID-19. Due to procedures related to privacy laws, I am limited in what I can say. I urge you to also respect the privacy of our students and staff.

The Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA DOH) is monitoring the individuals. The PA DOH is responsible for all contact tracing and school administration is assisting our public health officials with this endeavor. Staff members and students that are determined to be a close contact with these individuals will be directly contacted by PA DOH with instructions to quarantine. Close contacts are those who are within 6 feet distance for greater than or equal to 15 minutes with a person identified as a confirmed case with COVID-19.

On November 23rd, Governor Wolf and Secretary Levine announced new mitigation measures to slow the spread of COVID-19. Specific to schools, the new measures require Pre-K to 12 public schools in counties that have been in the substantial transmission level for at least two consecutive weeks to commit to safety measures to ensure the safety and well-being of students and educators. Additionally, the PA DOH published additional [Recommendations for Small Pre-K to 12 School Buildings Following Identification of a Case\(s\) of COVID-19](#) (i.e., fewer than 500 students). [Due to the number of cases of COVID-19 within a rolling 14 day period at Centennial School, we will need to close our school tomorrow to perform appropriate contact tracing, communicate appropriately any required quarantine recommendations and to continue to clean and disinfect our school building. All students will continue their education via remote learning. All students should check Google Classroom for directions and/or assignments from your teacher\(s\). Staff will also work remotely during the building closure.](#)

We will implement this remote learning schedule beginning tomorrow through at least January 8, 2021. During the week of January 4th, we will evaluate PA DOH recommendations as well as county data regarding the level of community transmission. If deemed safe to reopen, we will return to in-person instruction on Monday, January 11th.



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If you have questions or concerns regarding your individual health and COVID-19, please contact your primary care physician.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

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