



STATEMENT FROM GENERAL MCLANE SCHOOL DISTRICT

From General McLane School District Superintendent Richard Scaletta

November 11, 2020

“We have a student at the high school who tested positive for COVID-19. As a result of that positive student, 13 students are close contacts from the bus and one from a classroom.

Unfortunately, there are also two bus drivers in quarantine as a result of the positive student. Please be aware that we have a limited supply of bus drivers and with precautions being taken to stay home even with mild symptoms and quarantines, we may soon be at a point where we will not be able to run all busses. Right now we are OK, but I just want everyone to know that at some point, we may be short a bus or two to do our complete runs. We are accepting applications for drivers.

As you know, numbers of cases are skyrocketing in the county. The geographic area which encompasses General McLane has the third highest number of active cases behind Erie and Millcreek school districts. That is not good.

We are tracking all the cases in our district and to be honest, we collectively lack the self-discipline to deny ourselves social outings which are primarily the source of the spread. I know everyone is tired of the isolation and it is getting harder to deny our kids opportunities to be with other kids, but this virus, left unchecked will lead to even more isolation with quarantines and tragically for some, the ultimate isolation of death. We must do our part to stop the spread.

Today is Veteran’s Day, a day we remember the sacrifice so many have made for our country, giving years of their life and some even giving their very lives. Can’t we just accept that life can’t be normal right now and make the sacrifices needed to thwart the spread of this virus? If you go somewhere and people are not masked and distanced, turn around and go home. And, please, don’t be going to or having any home parties.

Tomorrow we are moving our weekly Facebook Live session to 12:00 p.m. and will further explore this topic.”

All parents and families in the District received this communication via phone call home on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 around 8:30 p.m. For questions or more information, please contact Sarah Grabski, Director of Communications and Administrative Services at

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