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Dear Delaware Academy Family,

Please be advised that a student at Delaware Academy Middle/High School has tested positive for Covid-19. The District has been in contact with the Delaware County Department of Health (DOH) and is following steps outlined in our Reopening Plan and as directed by the DOH to help prevent the potential spread of the virus.

The student was last on campus on Thursday 1/7/21. The Delaware County DOH indicated that the last date of potential contagion was 1/4/21.

Considering the number of additional staff and students associated with this case who may be identified to quarantine, and to mitigate any further potential exposure, the Middle/High School will shift in a Remote-Only learning model for the remainder of this week, with an anticipated return to in-person and hybrid models on Tuesday, January 19 following the Martin Luther King Day holiday. This decision enables us to:

- Partner with the DOH to complete continued contact tracing
- Provide time for potential contacts to self-monitor for and address symptoms of Covid-19
- Continue thorough daily cleaning and disinfection

As the Delaware County DOH conducts contact tracing, any staff or student who is determined to have been in close contact or at-risk for exposure will be contacted directly by a District Administrator, member of the Delaware County DOH, or NYS contact tracing team. At no time was this student in our Elementary School, nor has the DOH determined risk to the Elementary School. Therefore the **Elementary School will remain open as scheduled.**

For families who wish to have food service delivery, please contact Mrs. Christine Miller, Director of Food Service, at cmiller@delhischools.org or by calling (607) 746-1366.

The district continues to monitor our overall status on a daily basis. If/when new cases are identified, it will be communicated to our community as well as any changes to the status of our learning models in both buildings.

It is critically important that we all continue to comply with established health and safety protocols including social distancing, face coverings, good hygiene practices, and monitoring for symptoms. If you or your child(ren) experience any symptoms of Covid-19, please stay home, contact your family physician and the school nurse.

As always, we are doing our best to maintain transparency while taking steps we feel are necessary to protect the overall health and safety of our staff, students, and community. We appreciate your continued patience, understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Kelly M. Zimmerman
Superintendent