



Summit High School

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Dear Summit High School Families,

This informational letter is to let you know that we have been made aware that a person associated with your student's school, Summit High School, has been diagnosed with COVID-19. The name of the person is protected by federal law through HIPAA. The individual was on site on 2/9/21.

Our health team has completed an investigation, which includes contact tracing, regarding this case.

Note: If at any time your child is identified as a being a close contact to a person diagnosed with COVID-19, please know you will receive a close contact tracing communication - in addition to this school wide notification. If you do not receive an individual contact, your child was not a close contact of the case. (Close contact: defined as having a cumulative of 15 minutes or more of less than 6-foot distancing within 24 hours)

If your student, or anyone in your home, becomes sick with one or more of the following symptoms between now through 2/23/21, please contact your health care provider for guidance: Fever of 100.4 or more; chills; loss of taste or smell; cough; difficulty breathing; sore throat; headache; congestion/runny nose; nausea; vomiting; diarrhea (3 or more watery stools in 24 hours); muscle aches/pains; and/or fatigue. *Please notify your student's school if your student develops symptoms.

More information can be found on [the Oregon Department of Education's COVID-19 page](#), [the Oregon Health Authority's COVID-19 page](#) and [Bend-La Pine Schools COVID-19 Communications](#).

The best way to prevent the spread of COVID-19 is to practice good health hygiene habits. Wearing a mask will reduce the spread of virus and help prevent those who have the virus (with or without symptoms) from passing it to others. Be sure to wash your hands frequently with soap and water, cover your coughs and sneezes, and avoid contact with people who have signs of illness. Get plenty of rest, exercise, and eat a healthy diet. Stay home if you are sick. Protect the community by [following the Governor's social distancing requirements](#).

I am including, below my signature, information shared last week about contact tracing, positive case notification, and more for your review.

I am empathetic that these messages may cause concern. We believe that it is important to keep our families in the loop while reinforcing positive behaviors that help to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our schools and community while balancing trust and transparency through this information sharing.

If you have any questions, please contact the Summit High School COVID Safety Team Lead, Reno Holler and/or Nurse Pam Orton.

Sincerely,

Michael McDonald, Principal
Summit High School

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