

Good evening parents, this is Vaughn White, Superintendent of Hesperia Community Schools with a brief message.

Through the lens of transparency, I wish to share with you that a support staff employee in the secondary level of our school system tested positive for COVID-19. This staff member had very limited contact with students and through the direct advice of the health department, no students or staff have to be quarantined due to this situation.

We continue to be fortunate not having to quarantine, but with rising numbers in both Oceana and Newaygo Counties, this could be a reality for us at some point. You are doing an excellent job keeping your children home when they are sick. It is also important to keep your children home if you are sick and suspect the possibility of a Covid-19 infection. If you are going to be tested or waiting for tests to come back, please do not send your children to school even if they are feeling well. This will increase our chances of not having to quarantine whole classes of students.

Parents, we have been fortunate to provide two solid months of in-person schooling and your kids are doing amazing. Please help us by social distancing, washing your hands and wearing your masks.

Thank you for your continued support.