

**Floral Park-Bellerose School District**

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KATHLEEN SOTTILE, Ed.D.  
*Superintendent of Schools*

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Dear Floral Park-Bellerose School Community,

Today, the Floral Park-Bellerose School District was notified that a staff member at the John Lewis Childs School has tested positive for COVID-19. The Nassau County Department of Health was contacted immediately. Following the guidance issued by the New York State Education Department and New York State Department of Health, and out of an abundance of caution, two classes, students and teachers will be quarantined. These teachers and all students affected by this quarantine will be working remotely starting Wednesday, December 16, 2020. All parents/guardians of these classes and anyone who was in close contact with this staff member has been notified.

We will continue to work closely with the Nassau County Department of Health and take all necessary precautions to ensure the health and safety of our school community. The room and areas that were occupied by the quarantined individuals, will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected.

These classes and teachers will not return to school until they have completed the mandatory quarantine period as recommended by the DOH. They will return to in-person instruction on January 4, 2021. (At this time, schools are following the DOH recommended quarantine period of 14 days).

The symptoms of COVID-19 are similar to the regular seasonal influenza and include fever, coughing, and shortness of breath. Some have reported additional symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat, nausea, lethargy, lack of appetite, vomiting, and diarrhea. If your child is exhibiting any symptoms such as those listed above, please contact your child's medical provider to report their illness prior to seeking care at a clinic, physician's office, or hospital.

I am confident our approach to addressing the safety of students and staff during the pandemic will continue to serve the entire community well. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the building Principal, Mrs. Susan Fazio.

Sincerely,



Dr. Kathleen Sottile  
Superintendent of Schools

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