North Branch Area Schools

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> James D. Fish Superintendent

Update from Superintendent Jim Fish Thursday, February 4, 2021

Good afternoon,

North Branch Area Schools has been informed an individual at the North Branch Elementary School has tested positive for COVID-19. This person was last in school on Tuesday, February 2nd. North Branch Area Schools, in partnership with the Lapeer County Health Department, conducted contact tracing to identify anyone considered a close contact of this person. A "close contact" is any individual within 6 feet of an infected person for a total of 15 minutes or more. All individuals who were determined to be close contacts have been notified and quarantined.

In addition, yesterday afternoon I was notified an individual at the high school tested positive for COVID-19. This person was last in school on Tuesday, February 2nd. Again, all individuals deemed as a close contact have been notified and placed in quarantine. Please visit the North Branch COVID-19 dashboard posted on the front page of our website (nbbroncos.net) for the most updated information regarding the current positive cases and quarantined individuals in the district.

We will continue to work diligently in providing a safe learning environment for teachers, staff, and student. We remind all of our families to prevent the spread of COVID-19, individuals should do the following:

- Do not attend school if you are sick
- Frequent handwashing helps prevent the spread of the virus
- Avoid touching your face and shaking hands with others
- Continue to follow the guidelines for social distancing and the wearing of clean masks

Thank you for your patience and understanding during these trying times.

Sincerely,

Jim Fish, Superintendent North Branch Area Schools

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