

Delaware Valley School District
Coronavirus Cases Dashboard – Fall 2020
 (Students & Staff Combined)

	September	October	November	December	Winter Recess
DVES	3	1	1	2	3
DDES	0	0	0	2	5
DDPS	0	0	1	0	2
SES	0	1	1	1	1
DVMS	1	0	3	2	3
DDMS	1	0	2	0	1
DVHS	2	1	1	4	7
Total	7	3	9	11	22

Delaware Valley School District

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September 17, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

Today, the Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley Middle School and one confirmed case at the Delaware Valley High School. The individuals last attended school on Monday, September 14, 2020. While we have had staff and students self-quarantine because of close contact with non-school individuals, these are our first confirmed cases related to DV students and/or staff.

The classrooms and spaces used by the individuals have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times according to CDC guidelines since Monday. The schools will remain open.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individuals have already or will be contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Practice social distancing and wear a mask

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

The Delaware Valley School District will continue to monitor the situation and will provide updates as needed. Please know the health and safety of our students and staff is our utmost priority.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent

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September 18, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

Today, the Delaware Valley School District was notified of two confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley Elementary School. The individuals last attended school on Tuesday, September 15, 2020. The two cases from yesterday and the two cases from today are connected. However, I cannot go into greater detail due to the HIPAA federal privacy law.

The classrooms and spaces used by the individuals have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since Tuesday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individuals have already or will be contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

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September 23, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

Today, the Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley Elementary School. The individual last attended school on Thursday, September 17, 2020. This case is connected to our earlier cases. However, I cannot go into greater detail due to the HIPAA federal privacy law.

The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since last Thursday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

Since all of the cases are connected and no one needs to be quarantined because the person hasn't been present since last week, I decided not to make an automated call to the entire community.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Practice social distancing and wear a mask

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September 28, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

Today, the Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Dingman-Delaware Middle School. The individual last attended school on Friday, September 25, 2020.

The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected since last Friday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individuals have already or will be contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

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October 2, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

Today, the Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley High School. The individual last attended school on Friday, September 25, 2020.

The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since last Friday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

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October 13, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

Today, the Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Shohola Elementary School. The individual last attended school on Wednesday, October 7, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since last Wednesday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

This is our eighth case so far this school year. I'm happy to report that all quarantined individuals related to the first six cases have returned to school already.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

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October 26, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley Elementary School. The individual last attended school on Friday, October 23, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected since last Friday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

This is our ninth case so far this school year. I'm happy to report that all quarantined individuals related to the first eight cases have returned to school already.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and/or test positive
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- Stay home when you are sick or come in close contact with someone who tests positive
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Practice social distancing and wear a mask

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

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October 29, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley High School. The individual last attended school on Friday, October 23, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since last Friday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

This is our tenth case so far this school year. This case is connected to the ninth case and no one new needs to be quarantined. Therefore, there is no need for an automated telephone call.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and/or have tested positive
- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick or come in close contact with someone who has tested positive
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Practice social distancing and wear a mask

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

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November 16, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Dingman-Delaware Middle School. The individual last attended school on Thursday, November 12, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since last Thursday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

This is our eleventh case so far this school year. I'm happy to report that all quarantined individuals related to the first ten cases have returned to school already.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and/or have tested positive
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- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick or come in close contact with someone who has tested positive
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Practice social distancing and wear a mask

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

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November 17, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of two confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19). These are our twelfth and thirteenth cases. One was at the Dingman-Delaware Primary School. The individual last attended school on Thursday, November 12, 2020. The other case was a substitute employee who hasn't been in school since November 9, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individuals have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times according to CDC guidelines. The schools will remain open.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with these individuals have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and/or have tested positive
- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick or come in close contact with someone who has tested positive
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Practice social distancing and wear a mask

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

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November 18, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Dingman-Delaware Middle School. The individual last attended school on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since last Tuesday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

This is our fourteenth case so far this school year. Since this person was already in quarantine because he/she is a household member of yesterday's DDPS case and hadn't been in school in over a week, no one new needs to be quarantined. Therefore, an automated call isn't necessary.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

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- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and/or have tested positive
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- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
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Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

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November 19, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one new confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19). The Delaware Valley High School student learns from home 100% online via zoom. Therefore, no one at school needs to be quarantined. Thus, there is no need for an automated call.

This is our fifteenth case so far this school year.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and/or have tested positive
- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick or come in close contact with someone who has tested positive
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
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November 24, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley Middle School. The individual last attended school on Friday, November 13, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since then according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

This is our sixteenth case so far this school year. Since this person was already in quarantine because of a prior case and hadn't been in school in over a week, no one new needs to be quarantined. Therefore, an automated call isn't necessary.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

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December 1, 2020

Dear DV Community:

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. **Contrary to the many rumors swirling around, we plan on continuing our 5 days per week in-person/Zoom instructional model.** There is no plan to move to hybrid or online learning at this time. Our goal is to stick with our 5 days per week plan and, hopefully, make it to winter recess without any interruptions.

We are proud to offer four options: in-person, Zoom, cyber and home schooling. We want to do everything in our power to keep all four options available to our students. We know that every family has a different comfort level in regards to this virus and we respect each family's choice(s).

While Pike County has moved from the moderate level of COVID-19 transmission to the substantial level as defined by the PA Department of Health, Delaware Valley has not seen a surge in positive cases within our schools. We continue to disinfect nightly and conduct contact tracing as soon as we are notified of a positive case. This has allowed us to avoid any short-term closures. Kudos to our staff for making this happen.

What might make us switch to hybrid or online learning? No one really knows what this winter will be like in terms of positive cases or how fast a vaccine might reach the general population. Therefore, we have to plan for all likely scenarios. One scenario requiring us to switch would be if many students tested positive causing hundreds to quarantine. Another scenario would be if so many staff members had to quarantine that we didn't have enough staff available to work. The question each family has to ask is: **Are we prepared if the schools have to switch to hybrid or online?** If you don't have a plan in place already, you should start putting one in place no different than having a plan for a snow day or early dismissal.

In summary, we plan on sticking with our 5 days per week instructional model but ask that you have a back-up plan ready in case we need to switch sometime this winter.

All the best,

John J. Bell

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December 2, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Shohola Elementary School. The individual last attended school on Tuesday, November 24, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since then according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

This is our seventeenth case so far this school year. Since this person hasn't been in school in over a week, no one needs to be quarantined. Therefore, an automated call isn't necessary.

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- Stay home when you are sick or come in close contact with someone who has tested positive
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Practice social distancing and wear a mask

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

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December 7, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of two confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley Middle School and one probable case at the Delaware Valley High School. The classrooms and spaces used by the individuals have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times according to CDC guidelines since their last days in school. The schools will remain open. These are our eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth cases.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individuals have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

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December 10, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley High School. This is our twenty-first case so far this school year. The individual last attended school on Tuesday, December 8, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since Tuesday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

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Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

The Delaware Valley School District will continue to monitor the situation and will provide updates as needed. Please know the health and safety of our students and staff is our utmost priority.

Sincerely,

John J. Bell

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December 11, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley Elementary School. This is our twenty-second case so far this school year. The individual last attended school on Wednesday, December 9, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since Wednesday according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and/or have tested positive
- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick or come in close contact with someone who has tested positive
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
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December 15, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of four confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley High School (3 cases) and the Delaware Valley Middle School (1 case). These are our twenty-third, twenty-fourth, twenty-fifth, and twenty-sixth cases so far this school year. The classrooms and spaces used by the individuals have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since last week according to CDC guidelines. The schools will remain open.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

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- Wash your hands frequently
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- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Practice social distancing and wear a mask

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

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December 18, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Shohola Elementary School. The individual last attended school on Friday, December 11, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since then according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

This is our twenty-seventh case so far this school year. Since this person hasn't been in school in a week, no one needs to be quarantined. Therefore, an automated call isn't necessary.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and/or have tested positive
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- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick or come in close contact with someone who has tested positive
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Practice social distancing and wear a mask

Please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms: fever (100.4 F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, lack of smell or taste, sore throat, chills, muscle pain, headache, congestion, or runny nose.

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December 21, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of two confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Dingman-Delaware Elementary School and the Delaware Valley High School. These are our twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth cases so far this school year. The DDES individual last attended school on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since last Wednesday according to CDC guidelines. The DVHS individual is a ZOOM student so no students that live outside of his or her household have to be quarantined. The schools will remain open.

Staff members and students who may have come into close contact (any individual within 6 feet of an infected individual for at least 15 minutes) with the DDES individual have already been contacted by the Department of Health and/or the school district with instructions to self-quarantine.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick and/or have tested positive
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- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
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December 22, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The Delaware Valley School District was notified of one confirmed case of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the Delaware Valley High School. The individual last attended school on Friday, December 18, 2020. The classrooms and spaces used by the individual have been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since then according to CDC guidelines. The school will remain open.

This is our thirtieth case so far this school year. Since this person hasn't been in school since last week and did not show symptoms until yesterday, no one needs to be quarantined. Therefore, an automated call isn't necessary.

Parents/Guardians and students are encouraged to do the following to help prevent the spread of illness at home and in school:

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- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick or come in close contact with someone who has tested positive
- Cover your mouth and nose with the inside of your elbow when you cough and sneeze
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COVID-19 Information for Travelers

There have been a lot of questions asked about the recent travel guidance disseminated by the state. Below, you will find a link to the travel guidance page on the PA Department of Health website which can provide you with more information on this topic. If you feel compelled to report someone for violating this order, please notify the PA Department of Health directly. It is the agency that issued this order and has the authority to levy fines for violations.

PA Department of Health Website Info:

Latest Guidance at a Glance

- The Secretary of Health issued an order requiring anyone who visits from another state to have **a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours prior to entering** the commonwealth.
- If someone cannot get a test or chooses not to, they must **quarantine for 14 days** upon arrival in Pennsylvania.
- Pennsylvanians visiting other states are required to have **a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours prior to their return** to the commonwealth, or to **quarantine for 14 days** upon return to Pennsylvania. This does NOT apply to people who commute to and from another state for work or medical treatment.
- This order takes effect at 12:01 a.m. **Friday, November 20.**
- View the [Order of the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health for Mitigation Relating to Travel](#).

Frequently Asked Questions

<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Travelers.aspx>