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Dear Grove Children's Preschool and Henry Puffer Staff and Families:

Earlier today, District 58 was notified that a staff member at the Grove Children's Preschool tested positive for COVID-19. Since coming back to work this week, this employee has only been at the Grove Children's Preschool and was last onsite there Tuesday. The employee reported experiencing symptoms for the first time on Wednesday. This employee did not have symptoms while at work on Tuesday and was not at work on Wednesday. Per IDPH guidelines, anyone experiencing symptoms must stay home for 10 days and should get tested. This employee followed the guidelines, reported the symptoms, did not report to work, and got tested. When the employee received the notification of a positive test, he/she immediately notified the District. At this time, the District has no reason to believe that this case is related to a previous case earlier in the week at Fairmount School.

District 58 will continue to follow all protocols outlined by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) when a student or staff member tests positive, including contact tracing. Additionally, the District thoroughly cleans and disinfects all areas of schools and/or buildings every night. The Grove Children's Preschool at Henry Puffer has been cleaned and disinfected multiple times since this employee was last onsite.

The District is in the process of completing the contact tracing process and will require any close contacts to quarantine for 14 days. At this time, we do not believe there have been any close contacts due to the employee maintaining strict social distancing requirements.

District 58 has also notified the DuPage County Health Department (DCHD) of the positive case to ensure that contact tracing and protocols are strictly followed. The health and safety of our students, staff, and families is paramount and we will continue to follow all guidelines called for by the IDPH and the DCHD. Please continue to wear masks, adhere to social distancing requirements, and thoroughly wash and/or sanitize your hands as this is the best way to combat the spread of COVID-19.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Dr. Kevin B. Russell'.

Dr. Kevin B. Russell
Superintendent of Schools