



Downers Grove Grade School District 58  
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Dear District 58 Staff and Families:

District 58 was notified today, Friday, Jan. 29, that second and fourth grade siblings at Hillcrest tested positive for COVID-19 on Dec. 10, 2020.

When they tested positive, the students were already in quarantine due to a family member testing positive. After receiving their positive test results, the students continued to follow the Illinois Department of Public Health's COVID-19 guidelines. Per the IDPH, an individual who tests positive for COVID-19 must stay home at least 10 calendar days from onset of symptoms or, for asymptomatic cases, from the COVID-19 test date, AND for 24 hours with no fever (without fever-reducing medication) AND improvement of symptoms.

District 58 was not notified of these two positive cases until Friday, Jan. 29. The District will update its COVID-19 dashboard to reflect these cases accurately, and will post this letter to the COVID-19 positive case communication page. However, due to the lapse of time that has passed since these positive test results, we are not sending this letter directly to the Hillcrest community.

At this time, we do not believe the students were in close contact with any District 58 students or staff members while at school because the students had already been in quarantine for one week at the time of their positive test result. There is no known school link to this case.

District 58 will continue to follow all protocols outlined by the IDPH when a student or staff member tests positive. Additionally, the District's custodial staff thoroughly cleans and disinfects all areas of our schools and offices every evening. Elementary schools are also disinfecting between morning and afternoon sessions.

District 58 also notified the DuPage County Health Department of this positive case to ensure that protocols, contact tracing and the self-certification process were 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,

Dr. Kevin B. Russell  
Superintendent of Schools