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Dear ELPS Staff, Parents, and/or Guardians,

Today, November 17, 2020, East Lyme Public Schools was notified that additional members of our school/district community (**Two specific to East Lyme High School and one specific to Lillie B. Haynes School**) have tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19). The affected persons have been instructed to remain home in self-isolation and have been provided with additional instructions to follow prior to returning to their school building.

The most recent day attended by the East Lyme High School infected individuals was on Wednesday, November 11, 2020, and the Lillie B. Haynes School infected individual was on Wednesday, November 4, 2020. Contact tracing has been completed regarding these cases. Anyone who is considered a "close contact" with the infected individuals will be contacted by the school or local health officials and will be provided with instructions on the appropriate steps to take.

East Lyme High School will continue with remote learning until its scheduled return date of Monday, November 30, 2020. Lillie B. Haynes School will remain open to students. As mentioned in my letter yesterday please continue to adhere to social distancing practices and mask-wearing as we approach and move through the Thanksgiving break.

For more information on what to do if you or a family member has possible symptoms, a diagnosis, or exposure to COVID-19, please see Addendum 5: Interim Guidance for Responding to COVID-19 Scenarios in Connecticut School Districts, available here: <https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/COVID19/COVID-19-Resources-for-Families-and-Educators/Addendums-and-FAQs>.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office or Ledge Light Health District.

Sincerely,

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