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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Today, we were informed that a student at the Tinton Falls Middle School has tested positive for COVID-19. This student has not been present in school since October 8th. It was determined that the student was exposed to COVID outside of the school. The student will remain out of school until medically cleared to return.

In consultation with the Monmouth County Regional Health Commission, there is no need for any school closure. Contact tracing has taken place, and any student who **may** have been in close contact, parents have been notified, and students will be asked to quarantine.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We encourage staff, parents, and students to continue to follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention promoted safeguards, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks, and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for symptoms

I know that a confirmed case can be concerning; however, we have taken significant steps to ensure everyone's safety and to mitigate the chances of exposure within our schools. We all must remain vigilant outside of school and continue to practice safety measures to avoid the spread of COVID-19.

In addition, it is imperative that we refrain from engaging in rumor and conjecture. We need our community to continue to communicate with us when there is a possible exposure. As always, thank you for your support of our students and staff.

Below are some resources regarding COVID-19 that might help provide you with additional information.

Resources:

- a. [NJDOH COVID-19 Information for Communities and the General Public:](#)
- b. [Facts About the Coronavirus](#)
- c. [Symptoms of COVID-19](#)
- d. [Testing for COVID-19](#)
- e. [How to Protect Yourself](#)
- f. [What to Do if You Are Sick](#)

Sincerely,

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