

September 10, 2020

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Staff of the Horseheads Central School District:


This is to inform you that a non-instructional staff member at Ridge Road Elementary School notified the district this afternoon that the staff member had tested positive for COVID-19. This positive case is connected to the current Lighthouse Baptist Church cluster. The district has been working closely with the Chemung County Health Department and is following all of their required protocols including assisting with contact tracing. The district is continuing to conduct deep cleaning in all buildings daily. We will continue to monitor this situation in conjunction with the county health department.

At this time, out of an abundance of caution, we are canceling the meet and greet events at Ridge Road Elementary scheduled for tomorrow (Friday, September 11). Ridge Road staff have been notified of this development and will be allowed to come into the school tomorrow; however, the building will be closed to outside visitors until Monday, September 14, 2020 when we open for school.

PreK and K meet and greets at all other schools will go on as scheduled.

We wish to thank the Chemung County Department of Health and everyone for your support and patience as we work collaboratively through this situation. If you have any questions about COVID-19, we encourage you to call the health department at 607-737-2028 or the county COVID-19 hotline at 607-873-1813. Questions about your child's school should be directed to the main office.

Sincerely,



Dr. Thomas J. Douglas