

November 27, 2020

Dear EVLC Parents & Guardians,

This follow up email is to inform you again that your child may have been in close contact to a person who has tested positive for COVID-19 while at East Valley Learning Center between November 23rd and 24th. Close contacts are people who were within 6 feet of a person with COVID-19 while infectious for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period or who has physical contact with a person with COVID-19 while infectious, regardless of whether a mask was worn.

This exposure does not mean that your child has COVID-19 or will necessarily get COVID-19; however, in accordance with the CDC and Maricopa County Department of Public Health, your child must remain at home (quarantined) for 14 days.

Your child will be allowed back on campus on December 9, 2020.

We understand that this is a frustrating situation. EVLC is committed to implementing measures to protect all students and staff from exposure to COVID-19 and has been advised that after contact with a positive case, a person can develop COVID-19 symptoms for up to 14 days. Therefore, all close contacts of a positive case are required to stay home, regardless of a negative test, for 14 days after the exposure. Please see Maricopa County's Quarantine Guidance for Household and Close Contacts for more information.

<u>High risk household members</u>- If you are concerned about people living in the home who may be at higher risk for serious complications from COVID-19, Public Health recommends keeping the child away from this person as much as possible for the 14 days.

<u>If your child develops symptoms-</u> Should your child develop COVID-19 symptoms (fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, sore throat, headache, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, muscle/body aches, and/or new loss of taste or smell), Public Health advises getting the child tested with a COVID-19 PCR or antigen test.

<u>Testing</u>- While testing is not required for students not having symptoms, if you would like you child to be tested, Public Health has made testing available at Banner Urgent Care locations. Dial 2-1-1 for community testing sites, Again, your student will have to remain home for the full 14 days after the exposure, regardless of a negative test.

Thank you again for your understanding and patience during these unknown times. We want to make sure we are doing the best to keep all of students and staff safe. So far we have done a great job and I thank all of you for the support.

In His Service, Jaime Nolan

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