AMHERST COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS NOTIFIES COMMUNITY OF POSITIVE COVID-19 CASE

AMHERST, VA  September 15, 2020

In an attempt to keep our community informed, Amherst County Public Schools is notifying parents and guardians that an individual at Amherst County High School has been diagnosed with COVID-19.

Superintendent, Dr. Rob Arnold states “We are working closely with the Central Virginia Health Department to begin contact tracing procedures and to determine the status of continued in person instruction”.

This person was on school premises on Friday September 11, 2020 and did have direct exposure with other members of our community. Amherst County High School will remain OPEN during this time as the exposure has been contained.

ACPS protocol states that anyone identified as having been potentially exposed will be contacted by Central Virginia Health Department and/or Amherst County Public Schools. All who have been contacted are asked to stay home and monitor for symptoms of cough, shortness of breath, or a temperature higher than 100.4°F, and practice social distancing for 14 days from your last contact.

If you are not directly contacted by the health department or Amherst County Public Schools, you have not been identified as a potential exposure and do not need to stay home or exclude yourself from activities at this time.

Amherst County Public Schools remains committed to implementing all health mitigation strategies and encourages all parents and staff to continue to monitor their health and the health of their families for COVID-19 symptoms.