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Alvord ISD Family:

We are continuing our series to address the most frequently asked questions about the 2020-2021 school year.

**Question:** Will a campus or the school district close if a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19?

**Answer:** The guidance we have received from the Texas Education Agency (TEA) tells us to clean and notify before re-opening in the event an individual who has been in a school is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19. When we have met the cleaning and notification requirements (described below) we will re-open. Depending on the situation we may or may not need to temporarily close a campus or the school district.

**Cleaning:** Areas heavily used by an individual with the lab-confirmed case will be closed off and disinfected.

**Notification:** Individuals who are confirmed or suspected with COVID-19 will quarantine and not return to school until they meet the established criteria. Consistent with legal confidentiality requirements, we will notify all teachers, staff, and families of all students in a school if a lab confirmed COVID-19 case is identified among students teachers or staff who participate on any campus activities.

**Close Contact:** Anyone who has been in close contact with an individual who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-10 may be required by the health department to quarantine before returning to school. Close contact is defined as being directly coughed or sneezed on or being within 6 feet for a cumulative duration of 15 minutes.

Our goal will be to thoroughly clean and notify as described above as soon as possible, allowing school to resume promptly. If school is cancelled it will most likely be for one day only.

More information about our safety protocols can be found at <https://content.schoolinsites.com/api/documents/97d6de02a24341d8a6093ca37c3518eb.pdf>

The health and safety of our students and staff is our first priority. If you have any questions or concerns please let us know.

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