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Elmore County Schools,

Yesterday afternoon we were contacted by a teacher that indicated she had tested positive for COVID-19. While it is unknown of the exact time the teacher contracted the virus we are advised by the ADPH to contact everyone that she may have had contact with over the last two weeks. Therefore, out of our responsibility to students and employees, we are sending this notification to inform you that students attending Wetumpka Elementary, Wetumpka Middle, Wetumpka High, Redland, Eclectic Elementary and Elmore County High Schools may have been exposed to COVID-19 through contact with this teacher. This teacher works individually with specific students but was on each of these campuses two weeks prior to showing symptoms. Administrators will contact any student's parents that received direct contact by the teacher.

We encourage you to monitor yourselves and your family for the following symptoms:

- fever
- cough
- body aches
- shortness of breath

If you should develop one or more of these symptoms, please CALL your doctor or nearest urgent care for guidance. If shortness of breath is severe, seek emergency treatment via an Emergency Dept. (please call ahead) or 911 (please make them aware of potential exposure). If you have a confirmed case of COVID-19, please email suzanne.ragan@elmoreco.com.

Please continue to practice social distancing by remaining at home with your family unless it is for work or obtaining essential items like food and medicine. Practice good hand washing and respiratory etiquette for coughs and sneezes. Should a family member develop the symptoms listed, please isolate this person from other members of the family and your pets.

The CDC website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html> is an excellent resource to find reliable answers to your questions. We encourage you to educate yourselves on what you can do to protect yourself and your family. Please know that we have only your safety and well-being at heart and will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as needed on our website www.elmoreco.com.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Dennis

Every student empowered. Every student succeeds.

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