



October 30, 2020

PCS Families,

Please take a moment to read through this week's updates and reminders -

COVID Data

Disclaimer: our information is self-reported and often dependent on what people tell us, so that should be considered when evaluating our data. Reporting of system data has been a local decision, and there is no process or consistent format currently required by the state. Comparisons of information from other local systems may not be evaluating the same data sets. For Pelham City Schools, our numbers are based on current cases that are causing a school absence. Therefore, a positive case or quarantine case will likely be counted for at least two weeks in the data until that person is returned to school.

For the week ending October 30:

We have 5 reported COVID positive cases under quarantine which includes 5 students (0.2% of our on-campus student population) and 0 staff members (0% of our staff population).

We had 49 total quarantine cases which include the reported COVID positive cases, close contacts of positive cases, and people who are exhibiting COVID symptoms as identified by the ADPH. These 49 cases include 41 students (1.8% of our on-campus student population) and 8 staff members (2% of our staff population).

It is still extremely important that we remain vigilant in our health and wellness measures and that we understand quarantines will continue to occur. Please know that we will monitor the information closely, and we will continue our efforts to keep our schools safe and open.

Severe Weather Follow-Up

We appreciate your support and flexibility as we managed the issues we faced this week due to the severe weather. We were fortunate to have power in three of our four schools and operate a mostly normal school day with the two-hour hour delay. Even though many of us experienced some challenges due to the impact of the weather, we appreciate the dedication of our staff and administrators in working through issues and making the school day possible for our students. If you have a student that was unable to attend school due to the weather impacts on Thursday,

please send a parent note and the absence will be excused (this does not apply to students at Pelham Ridge).

Flu Shots for Students

Health Heroes will be offering flu shots to Pelham City Schools students on Thursday, November 5th during the school day. If you would like for your student to participate, please fill out the permission form below and return to the school nurse no later than Monday, November 2. Only those students with a completed consent form will be vaccinated. Incomplete forms and forms received after November 2 will not be accepted. Students with PEEHIP are not eligible for this clinic.

[Health Heroes Flu Shots Parent Info and Consent Form](#)

Be safe and stay well,

Dr. Scott Coefield
Superintendent
Pelham City Schools