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We have learned of a probable case of COVID-19 involving a Discovery staff member who was exposed through a contact outside of the school setting. This staff member who wears a mask and social distances, has not been in close contact with any students. The health department is assisting us with this matter. Because of the safety protocols being followed, they believe there is very little risk of transmission associated with this case, however because the staff member works in one of our school buildings, it does require notice to the community.

The Ingham County Health Department recommends the following actions to help limit the spread of COVID-19, even if you are not experiencing symptoms:

- **Wear a mask** (covering mouth and nose) while in public places or if people who do not live with you must visit your home.
- **Practice social distancing** by maintaining a distance of 6 feet apart.
- **Practice frequent handwashing** using soap for 20 seconds or hand sanitizer with 60% alcohol.
- **Follow [capacity restrictions](#)** of social gatherings.
- **Cover coughs and sneezes** with tissue or with the inside of your elbow and immediately wash your hands.
- **Stay home if you are sick;** you can also [get tested](#).

Thank you for understanding that, due to medical privacy laws, we are not able to release the names of individuals with COVID-19. We will continue to communicate any applicable changes or updates with you.

If you have any questions, contact the Ingham County Health Department at 517-887-4496. You may also receive answers to your COVID-19 questions by calling the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services COVID-19 Hotline at 888-535-6136 or by visiting Michigan.gov/coronavirus.