

# BLUM SCHOOL

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11/30/20

Dear Parent/Guardian,

In keeping with Blum ISD's practices to respond to COVID-19, we are notifying all student families that we have had students and staff lab confirmed for COVID-19 or exposure to COVID-19 during the holiday break. Due to privacy requirements, we will not be releasing the names of the individuals or details that may identify them.

We are working with the local health department on this matter. We will be conducting case investigations and will contact any individuals determined to be in close contact with an infected individual.

**Due to concerns of COVID-19, operations at Blum ISD will be changing effective December 1, 2020.** A hybrid-remote model will be used for the school district.

- Elementary students will continue to receive face-to-face instruction.
- Junior High students will have the option to continue face-to-face instruction or remote instruction.
- High School students will be fully remote for the remainder of the semester.

While we do not have reason to believe that those who were not in close contact with the infected individual have reason to be concerned, we ask that you; as always, watch for symptoms of COVID-19.

**Any of the following symptoms indicate a possible COVID-19 infection:**

- Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit Loss of taste or smell
- Cough
- Difficulty breathing or Shortness of breath
- Fatigue
- Headache
- Chills
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Shaking or exaggerated shivering
- Significant muscle pain or ache
- Diarrhea
- Nausea or vomiting

If you or any member of the Blum ISD community begins to experience any of these symptoms in a way that is not typical, we encourage you to contact your physician. We encourage anyone in the Blum ISD community who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 to please notify our school by contacting Terri McPherson.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to [Terri.McPherson@BlumISD.net](mailto:Terri.McPherson@BlumISD.net) or contact the school at 254-874-5231.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff Sanders". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.