

TIPTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Tiger Pride!

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Dear Tipton Families,

It has been brought to our attention that, as a precaution, one of our staff members is being tested for COVID19. There is a low likelihood that the test will be positive. As we have been applying all of the recommendations from the Tulare County health officials and the Tulare County Superintendent, we have greatly decreased the likelihood of contracting flu-like illnesses at Tipton Elementary. We will continue to:

- provide time for all students to wash and/or sanitize their hands when they arrive at school, before lunch, and after using the restroom.
- provide hand sanitizer in the high traffic areas of the school.
- prioritize cleaning common and high traffic areas
- increase the number of times they sanitize door knobs
- increase the number of times bathrooms are cleaned.
- wipe down playground equipment
- provide Clorox wipes to all classrooms.
- use hand sanitizing on school buses.
- minimize sharing school supplies.
- sanitize computer keyboards
- not to share utensils or food in the cafeteria
- students who do not come to school, or are sent home for showing symptoms of illness, their absence will be excused
- have students keep a personal distance from one another

Once we know the staff member's results, one way or the other, we will communicate with all of you. Our primary focus is student safety and wellness.

At this time, there are no known cases of COVID19 in Tipton.

We will continue with our plan for deep cleaning over the course of the next few days. We are taking an overly cautious approach so keeping all of us safe from all illness. We will continue to operate in the best interest of our community.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Stacey Bettencourt & Dr. Cherie Solian