



Happy Friday!

Another great week in the Bellefonte Area School District! As promised, I'll be providing covid information weekly in a brief email on Fridays. According to the CDC, Centre County is designated as having a "low" community rate again this week. This email includes a brief covid case count update.

Covid Case Counts

Since last Friday (4/22), we have received notifications of 4 new covid cases in the district. Earlier this week, we received notification of 2 new covid cases at the high school, a student and a staff member. Yesterday, we received notification that a staff member from Marion-Walker Elementary tested positive. Late this afternoon, we received notification that a student from Marion-Walker tested positive.

As a reminder, the rules for contact tracing/quarantine were changed for schools by the PA Department of Education (PDE) and the PA Department of Health (PA DoH) several weeks ago. We are still required to report new cases to the PDE/PA DoH, but we are no longer required to report the number of close contacts/quarantines.

Barring any breaking news, I'll send my next update on Friday next week. As always, thank you so very much for your continued support, patience and understanding! I hope you have a wonderful weekend!

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