

## Good evening!

Happy Friday! This is just a quick update for positive COVID cases since Monday. Since my email on Monday, we received confirmation of 25 new cases across the district. Of the 25 new cases, 24 are students and 1 is a staff member who is not assigned to a particular school (the case is attributed to Central Office). A summary of the new cases is shown in the chart below.

Building	Total number of known, confirmed, new cases since 12/6	*Since 12/6, the number of new cases - students/staff that were physically present in the building while infectious
High School	5 (all students)	5
Middle School	6 (all students)	1
Bellefonte Elem.	3 (all students)	2
Benner Elem.	5 (all students)	4
Marion-Walker Elem.	3 (all students)	2
Pleasant Gap Elem.	2 (both students)	1
BeLA	0	0
Central Office Staff or Staff that may work in more than 1 school	1 (staff)	1

Parents have been notified if their children were identified as a close contact to these 25 cases this week. At the time of this email, there were a total of 39 students quarantined for the 25 new cases that we received notification for since Monday. However, please note that it seems as if many of these cases are a result of a family member testing positive first. Also, some of these cases involve siblings. For example, one middle school student tested positive and so did a brother or sister who

attends the middle school or another school in our district. These count as separate cases. Additionally, please note that some of the students quarantined are siblings of a student who tested positive.

Barring any breaking news, I'll send my next update letter on Monday morning, as usual. I hope you and your family have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Tammie Burnaford Superintendent Bellefonte Area SD