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STERLING CITY ISD COVID-19 UPDATE

Over the weekend, I completed required notification of a confirmed positive COVID-19 case on the Sterling City ISD campus. This notification was based on a “rapid” test result that has now been deemed as a FALSE POSITIVE. In conjunction with the “rapid” test, a more in depth “PCR” test was also administered and resulted in a negative COVID-19 test that was reported today.

Effectively, this was a false alarm and **Sterling City ISD does not currently have a confirmed positive COVID-19 case on campus as of today.**

This situation has resulted in a positive learning experience that may allow for implementation of some proactive measures that may help minimize potential quarantine in future situations. Please consider the following information.

- If someone in your household has completed a COVID-19 test, but is waiting on test results, Sterling City ISD **HIGHLY RECOMMENDS** that families keep students at home until test results are received.
- Quarantine determinations are directly related to a person properly and consistently wearing a face covering.
- Sterling City ISD currently allows parents to choose if their child wears a face covering to school.
- Students that properly and consistently wear face coverings while at school, in most cases, will not face quarantine if around a person at school that receives a positive confirmed COVID-19 test.
- Sterling City ISD **HIGHLY RECOMMENDS** that students properly and consistently wear face coverings to school.

Sincerely,



Bob Rauch