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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Last evening, our district learned that an individual tested positive for COVID-19. Due to privacy laws, we are not able to share the identity of the individual or any details of this case. The Department of Health has begun contact tracing. With the available information we currently have at our disposal, school will be in session, in-person, on Monday, November 23.

If the Department of Health has determined that you or your child was in close proximity to the individual who tested positive, and may be impacted, you will be notified by school or DOH officials who will provide further guidance. For this reason, it is important that you are prepared to answer your telephone, even if you do not recognize the caller.

If your child, or anyone else in your household exhibits symptoms of COVID-19, they should be assessed by their healthcare providers soon as possible. If you or your child is experiencing symptoms and does not have a healthcare provider, please call the Oneida County Department of Health.

We continue to require screening of all staff, students and visitors. Everyone must also continue to follow the guidelines from the NYS Department of Health and the CDC.

Thank you for your cooperation, understanding and support as we all work together to navigate these challenging times.

Respectfully,

Joanne Shelmidine, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools