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Health Notice #11

September 22, 2021

Mt. Blue Regional School District was notified that **5 (five)** people associated with our district have tested positive for COVID-19. Contact tracing has just been completed and **30 (thirty)** close contacts were identified and have been notified. Of these close contacts, **17 (seventeen)** are required to quarantine, and **13 (thirteen)** are allowed to attend school due to their meeting one of Maine CDC's exemptions: participate in universal masking, are fully vaccinated, or were COVID-19 positive in the past 90 days.

Please be assured that our efforts to keep our schools safe continue and that our buildings are cleaned in accordance with all Maine CDC guidelines. *Please complete this <u>form</u> if you have any questions and would like an RSU 9 staff member to reach out to you.* The number of cases and the impacted schools/locations are included below.

Number of new positives	School / Location	Number of Close Contacts
1	Cascade Brook School	8
2	Mt. Blue Middle School	16
2	Mt. Blue Campus	6

We are also notifying our school community that W.G. Mallett School has been designated in "Outbreak Status" by the Maine CDC. Outbreak status is defined as three or more confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 among different households over a 14-day period. After further consultation with the Maine CDC regarding this designation, we have determined there will be **no changes to the instructional model at W.G. Mallett School.**

District and school administrators along with our RSU 9 nursing team have thoroughly investigated each positive case of COVID-19 at W.G. Mallett School. And, after further consultation with Maine CDC, we are confident that there has been **no in-school transmission** and **that this outbreak is related to outside exposures.**

As a reminder...

- All students and staff must complete their health screener before coming to school. If a student or staff member fails a screener, please stay home and contact your healthcare provider. --<u>Student Health Screener</u> --<u>Staff Health Screener</u>
- If your child is a close contact or tests positive for COVID-19, please notify your school immediately and keep your child home.

• The <u>table</u> with cumulative totals for the 21/22 school year will be updated Friday afternoons.

Academy Hill School	207-645-4488	Mt. Blue Middle School	207-778-3511
Cape Cod Hill School	207-778-3031	Mt. Blue Campus	207-778-3561
Cascade Brook School	207-778-4821	W.G. Mallett School	207-778-3529
G.D. Cushing School	207-645-2442		

Thank you for your continued commitment to working with us in following our district protocols in the interest of staff, students, and community health and safety.

Sincerely,

RSU 9 Central Office Administration and RSU 9 Nursing Team