

December 10, 2020

Dear Parents,

In keeping with Desert Garden Montessori's practices to respond to COVID-19, we are notifying all student families, and the community, that a child in MYHS has tested positive for COVID-19. The child last attended in-person learning on Tuesday, December 8.

DGM on-site/campus contact tracing has been completed. Fortunately, we believe community exposure has been greatly reduced due to efficient communication, and wearing of masks, as well as all of our hygiene and safety practices throughout the classrooms and campus. Should you or your child/children begin exhibiting COVID-19 related symptoms, please:

- Remain home
- Contact your primary care physician
- Contact the school via support@desertgardenmontessori.org so that we may continue our internal contact tracing

Please review our community response plan:

HOME QUARANTINE / ONLINE LEARNING

- The following students and staff members will begin home quarantine and online learning effective **Friday, December 11, 2020**.
 - All students in MYHS
 - All siblings of students in MYHS, if:
 - The related MYHS sibling was on campus December 7 or 8
 - All staff directly related to MYHS:
 - Ms. Krista, Mr. Garry, Mr. Bill, Mr. Carlos, Mr. Justin, Ms. Steph
 - All parents of students in MYHS who are on-site DGM staff, if:
 - Their student was on campus December 7 or 8: Ms. Lauren, Ms. Val
 - All students entering into home quarantine may **immediately** begin their online learning programs on Friday, December 11, 2020. Your student's teacher(s) will contact you via Transparent Classroom with details and schedules to begin their online program tomorrow morning. Please be patient with us as we transition students to the online platform tomorrow. There may be some adjustments to the schedule as we transition.
- If no additional COVID-19 symptoms or illnesses are reported, all affected students and staff may return to school after the holiday break, **Monday, January 4**. Should this date need to be adjusted, we will communicate ASAP.

PROVIDER SERVICES

- All provider services will continue online for affected students. Please make sure your student has access to a computer during this time. Providers will be in touch directly. If you have any questions, please email support@desertgardenmontessori.org.

PHONE NUMBERS & SUPPORT

- **Main Office / Front Desk (live attendant):** (480) 496-9833
- **Attendance Line (24/7 voicemail):** (480) 893-6516
- **Email:** support@desertgardenmontessori.org

If you have any questions or concerns, please email support@desertgardenmontessori.org.

To our entire community, thank you, once again, for your continued support as we continue our journey through this season. I hope everyone has a safe, healthy, and restful holiday break.

In wellness,



Shetal Walters
Executive Director