

Robert F Kennedy Charter School



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To: Parents or Guardians of children who attend Robert F. Kennedy Charter School

Robert F. Kennedy Charter School is working with the New Mexico Public Education Department (NMPED) and New Mexico's Department of Health (NMDOH) because an individual at Robert F. Kennedy Middle School has tested positive for COVID-19.

This letter is to inform you about the next steps necessary to protect your child and our community from COVID-19. Per guidance from both NMPED and NMDOH, we are required to investigate to see who had "close contact" with the staff member or student who tested positive for COVID-19. A "close contact" is defined as being closer than six feet for more than three minutes to a person who is positive for COVID-19 and all staff and students who were in the same classroom as the infected individual. According to NMPED and NMDOH, all staff and students who were in "close contact" with the infected individual must be tested, and they must self-quarantine at home for 14 days.

In the meantime, if you or your child begin to develop symptoms of COVID-19, which are fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of smell or taste, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea [<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>], please call your local public health office or the COVID-19 Hotline at 1-855-600-3453 press 8.

It is important that you call your regional public health office to schedule an appointment for testing 505-841-4100.

You may call Robert F. Kennedy at (505) 243-1118 or NMDOH at (505) 827-0006 if you have questions. Thank you for your support in these efforts.

Respectfully

Shawn Morris

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