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April 6, 2021

Dear Kearny Parent/Guardian,

We consider the health and safety of our students and staff to be of extreme importance and are working closely with the Philadelphia Department of Public Health (PDPH) to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19. This letter is to inform you that today, April 6, 2021, we were informed that a student or staff member at General Philip Kearny Elementary School tested positive for COVID-19.

The staff member or student was last in our building or office on April 6, 2021. In accordance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA), the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and other state privacy laws, we cannot share any additional information about the person. However, please know that the individual is self-isolating and will not return until all CDC guidelines are met.

If your child is identified as someone who may have been in close contact with this person, you will be contacted by either the PDPH and/or Student Health Services with important information concerning the need for your child to quarantine. Close contact is defined as being within six feet of the person for more than 15 minutes within a 24-hour period. Your child may end quarantining on Day 7 with proof of a negative test result taken on Day 5, 6 or 7 and does not develop symptoms. If your child does not get tested, quarantine may end on Day 10 if they do not develop symptoms. Continue to monitor your child for symptoms until 14 days after exposure and if your child develops symptoms, immediately self-isolate and obtain testing.

If your child is not identified as a close contact, they do not need to quarantine and should continue to attend school.

As an extra precaution, we encourage you to monitor your child closely for the common symptoms associated with COVID-19 listed in the chart below.

Symptoms of a COVID-like Illness		
If you have at least ONE of these symptoms:	OR	If you have at least TWO of these symptoms: • fever of 100.4 F or greater • chills • muscle pain • headache • sore throat

If your child experiences any symptoms in the left box or two or more symptoms in the right box, you should be tested for COVID-19. To find a testing site near you, please visit www.phila.gov/covid-testing-sites. Should you have questions or immediate concerns, please call the Philadelphia Health Department's COVID-19 Hotline at 215-685-5488.

As a reminder, all hard touch surfaces in our school are cleaned a minimum of every four hours, and extra cleaning and disinfecting is done in any area that the person who tested positive may have come in contact with.

Thank you, take care and stay safe.

Sincerely,

Sabrina Scott-Feggins Principal