## Herscher Community Unit School District No. 2

DR. RICHARD S. DECMAN, SUPERINTENDENT SHELLY PARSONS, SPECIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR PETE FALK, CURRICULUM DIRECTOR

Date: 08/31/20

Re: Notification of **Probable** COVID-19 diagnosis

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The district has been closely monitoring the health and safety of our staff and students. We have become aware that a student at LMS is considered probable for COVID-19. \*(A probable case occurs when an individual has COVID-19 symptoms and a member of their immediate household or close relation has tested positive for COVID-19). As a result, the district has notified and will require any individuals (staff and/or students) that are determined to be a "close contact" to quarantine at home for (14) days. The CDC defines "close contact" as "any individual who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes starting from 2 days prior to illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to positive specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.

The last time the COVID-19 positive individual was in the school setting while they were contagious was Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. Please understand that we cannot disclose the name of the person(s) diagnosed with or suspected of having COVID-19.

Considering the probable diagnosis of COVID-19, all areas of the building and/or classroom(s) potentially impacted are or have been cleaned and disinfected in accordance with the recommendations from the CDC and IDPH.

<u>Please remember to keep your student home if they are ill for any reason.</u> If you have any questions, please contact your building Principal. Thank you for your understanding and ongoing cooperation with our COVID-19 prevention policies and procedures as we work together to keep our students, staff and families safe and healthy.

Dr. Richard S. Decman Superintendent