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This is a summary report on COVID-19 data at Lake of the Woods School for the last 14 days.

We have had a dramatic decrease in positive cases compared to the first two weeks of school. We have conducted 80 tests from September 20th through October 3rd. There have been 4 positives. Three of the positives were in individuals who were already out of school on quarantine. There was one positive in a high school student. It is possible the person was able to spread the disease while attending school on Monday, September 27th through Wednesday, September 29th. We cannot, for privacy reasons, share details about the person. At this time, they have been told to stay home and away from other people until they are well and can no longer spread the disease.

To help maintain this low level of positives within the school, we continue to ask everyone to watch for COVID-19 symptoms, which include:

- Fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher
- New cough or a cough that gets worse
- Difficulty/hard time breathing
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- New nasal congestion/stuffy or runny nose
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Muscle pain
- Extreme fatigue/feeling very tired
- New severe/very bad headache
- Chills

If you or your child gets any symptoms, stay home and consider getting tested for COVID-19.

The district continues to offer COVID-19 testing at the school for any parent who would like their child tested. The Cue test is an individual, diagnostic molecular COVID-19 test that uses a nasal swab. Results are available within 20 minutes of processing. If you would like to schedule a test for your student, please contact Tiarra Shaw at 218-634-2510, extension 1522 or Dani Koschak at extension 1504.

All students, teachers, staff, and visitors are strongly encouraged to wear masks when indoors regardless of vaccination status. In addition, getting vaccinated (for those who are eligible), social distancing wherever possible, and good hygiene practices are highly encouraged to reduce the risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19.

Please go to the school's website for more information regarding school related COVID-19 data. The Lake of the Woods School Board will be reviewing its Safe Learning Plan at the Monday, October 11th School Board Meeting. This meeting is open to the public. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Superintendent Nelson at 218-634-2510, extension 1506 or at 218-434-0023.

Thank you for helping to keep our school community safe.