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Good morning!

By now you have likely read the most recent article that was published. I have concerns over how the article was written and how a member of our Cougar team was portrayed.

With that being said, please be mindful of your daily screening and answering it accurately and truthfully.

You are all good workers, you are good teachers, you are conscientious, you are good people....you come to school and don't call in randomly for a day off. In years past we have all come to school when feeling less than 100%. This year and these times are different.....so I am going to say it:

PLEASE! If you even think you feel ill or not exactly your "normal", for your sake, the health of our students, each other and the district as a whole, stay home and get a Rapid test.

Be aware that upon a positive test the DOH will not only contact me but will contact you and interview you extensively to ask how long you did not feel well or "normal." They will go back to contact trace 3-5 days prior to the positive test results and look for time and duration that you are with someone or a class even if windows were open (they were in this case) masks on when they were supposed to be (they were in this case), etc. In our experience, the amount of time that a person was symptomatic around others affects the decision to quarantine and how many will be affected by that quarantine.

Please reach out to me with any questions or concerns. I will be reiterating my message today during my weekly robocall that goes to all of us and to all families in our district.

Thank you,
Michele