

Dear MVCDC Families,

**Our communities have been hit hard by the pandemic. The counties served by MVCDC are currently all in red — the next-to-highest level for COVID-19 exposure. As hard as we're trying to beat the virus at MVCDC, two (2) classroom employees and two (2) non-classroom employees tested positive this week.** The classroom employees work at the **MET location in Montgomery County**. Following guidance from the Health Department, we identified four (4) classrooms at the MET, our largest facility with a total of 17 classrooms, that will be closed for fourteen days. The non-classroom employees have offices at our **Twin Towers location also in Montgomery county** but over the two days prior to receiving their test results, they had visited two other locations — **Moraine Meadows and Findlay** — and assisted with transportation. Both individuals are quarantining and other staff who were in close proximity with them are also in quarantine. Children who had been on a bus with one of the individuals who tested positive are also quarantining for two weeks.

**Health experts are preparing us for a difficult winter. Cases continue to go up across Ohio. Please know that the safety of your child, you and our staff is our top priority.** If the cases continue to increase and the Governor enacts new restrictions, we may need to close our classrooms and provide services virtually once again as we did back in March. It is our hope that will not be the case, but, as a precaution, we are developing plans that will allow us to continue to support you and your child. In the meantime, **let's continue to follow the safety practices we know protect us — WEAR A MASK, STAY 6 FEET APART, AVOID CROWDS!**

Ohio's travel advisory this week is for **South Dakota, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Alabama, and Utah**. If your child has traveled to any of these states, he or she will need to quarantine at home for 14 days before returning.

**MVCDC staff continue to work hard to support you and your family.** Despite the pandemic, we are committed to providing exceptional early learning opportunities and resources to support your family. **There are remarkable things happening in our classrooms and in our virtual program.** Don't forget to follow us on social media where we're highlighting these activities and more.

Thank you for allowing us to be part of your family. If you have thoughts or concerns, don't hesitate to contact me at (937) 226-5664, ext. 202.

Gratefully,



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