

# WORTHAM INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Superintendent/CEO



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September 2, 2021

Dear WISD parents and guardians,

A Wortham Elementary School student and staff member have tested positive for COVID-19. Due to privacy requirements, we will not be releasing the names of the individuals or identifying details. The staff member was last on campus on Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the student was last on campus on Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup>.

We have contacted the local health department to report the positive cases, and we will work with the health department to identify any exposures. Through conversations with the families, we have identified and contacted those individuals who were possibly exposed during the infectious period. The Texas Department of State Health Services may further identify and contact other close contacts and make quarantine recommendations.

Please remember that Wortham ISD offers free COVID-19 rapid testing for staff and students. If your student begins experiencing symptoms, you can contact our district nurse for an appointment time for testing. Our nurse's website contains a wealth of important information, including a daily COVID self-screening tool for staff and students to complete as they continue to self-monitor for symptoms. Please take some time to visit her site for information and updates:  
[https://www.worthamisd.org/index.php?pageID=488896\\_3](https://www.worthamisd.org/index.php?pageID=488896_3)

While we do not believe that those who were in contact with the infected individual have reason to be concerned, we ask that you, as always, watch for symptoms of COVID-19:

- Temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher when taken by mouth;
- Sore throat;
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing;
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain;
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever.

If any member of our WISD community does begin experiencing any of these symptoms in a way that is not typical, we encourage you to contact your physician.  
If you have any questions, please contact us at 254-765-3095.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Melissa Bosley".

Melissa Bosley  
Superintendent, Wortham ISD

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