



ARCHWAY CLASSICAL ACADEMY | GLENDALE

A Great Hearts Academy

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Dear Archway Glendale Families,

I want to ensure that we keep you up to date on the current happenings on our campus as it relates to COVID-19. I am reaching out to update you on a recent development within our second grade.

Today we learned that one of our employees and a student tested positive for COVID-19. Both the employee and student will remain in quarantine according to guidance from the Maricopa County Department of Health. Through our incident response protocol, we have also identified and personally notified all people who would be considered close contacts of both parties. Those people have been quarantined according to guidance from the Maricopa County Department of Health. At this time, we do not know if these two cases are related to one another. The Department of Health is currently working on tracing to find out the origin of both cases. To maintain privacy, we cannot divulge any additional information.

We are currently waiting on a second set of test results for our employee to confirm that the employee is indeed positive for COVID. However, the health and safety of our community is our number one priority, and we would rather err on the side of being overly cautious. With that being said, we are asking that section of our second grade to temporarily move to Great Hearts distance learning for the next two days while we wait on confirmation. Once we know more information, we will be reaching out to our second-grade families to let them know what they can expect next.

Though this seems like a drastic reaction to something that is not yet confirmed, we take every report of COVID very seriously and would rather be overly cautious in our actions in order to prevent further spread to the rest of our community. Again, this is a precaution, and it is in adherence with what the Maricopa Department of Health has advised us to do.

In addition to these measures, we are also deep cleaning the 2B classroom, the hallways, the bathrooms, the gym, and the MPR. This cleaning includes use of a 360-degree electrostatic cleaner, use of Oxivir cleaner, and wiping down all surfaces and high touch points in those areas of the campus.

Lastly, I want to thank each one of you for your partnership in keeping one another as safe as possible. We have been preparing for such an occurrence as this and knew that quarantining would become a part of our “new normal” this year. By adhering to all of the practices that have been laid out in this letter, though it isn’t a guarantee of a completely risk-free environment, we are able to minimize as much possibility of spread to other parts of our community as possible.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Sincerely,
Jack Kersting
Headmaster