

For Immediate Release

Pittsburgh Conroy Facility Closed to Mitigate Spread of COVID-19

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PITTSBURGH November 2, 2020 – The Pittsburgh Conroy Education Center, Conroy Early Childhood Center and the Early Childhood Administrative Offices will close this week so that District facility staff may deep-clean the entire facility. The cleaning is necessary after a second staff member at the school tested positive for COVID-19. The staff member was last at the school on Tuesday, October 27. Through the District contract tracing process, five other staff members have been identified as close contacts and will also need to quarantine for 14 days (within 6 feet for longer than 15 cumulative hours). Per the Pennsylvania Health Department's guidance, the facility is closed and will reopen on Monday, November 9, 2020.

Please find below the communication that was shared with the various staff in the facility.

Dear Conroy Staff,

Today we were notified that an additional Conroy colleague has tested positive for COVID-19. The employee was last in the building on Tuesday, October 27. Anyone that may have been in contact with the employee will be personally contacted with recommended next steps by Human Resources. Close contacts are individuals who have been within 6 feet for longer than 15 cumulative minutes within a 24-hour period.

Per the Pennsylvania Department of Health guidelines, the building will be deep cleaned and closed until Friday, November 6. No staff are permitted to be in the building until Monday, November 9. Understanding that Monday, November 9 is the first day Conroy is scheduled to welcome students back for in-person instruction, additional guidance will provided this week on expectations for setting up your classrooms and the first day of school.

The symptoms of COVID-19 include a fever, cough and shortness of breath. If you or a member of your family experience any of the symptoms above, we encourage to please follow-up with your primary care physician. When returning to the building on Monday, November 9, please wear a mask at all times when in the building, practice social distancing and do not travel throughout the building or visit with other staff. If you are exhibiting a fever of 100.4 or higher, cough or shortness of breath, or loss of taste and smell, please stay home and do not come into the building.

If you want to learn more about COVID-19 and the recommended steps if you or someone you know has had potential exposure, please visit www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV. You can also contact the Allegheny County Health Department at 412-687-2243 or the PA Department of Health at 1-877-724-3258.

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