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Pittsburgh Carmalt Closed Monday, December 13, 2021

PITTSBURGH December 11, 2021 – Following the review of a high volume of reports of non-COVID related illness from students and staff at Pittsburgh Carmalt since Thursday, the District's physician, in consultation with the Allegheny County Health Department has determined the illness is most likely norovirus. Norovirus is a virus that is primarily transmitted through contact with stool or vomit and touching contaminated surfaces. To allow the District's maintenance team to clean the building thoroughly and prevent further student and staff infections, Pittsburgh Carmalt will be closed on Monday, December 13, 2021. Classes will resume on Tuesday, December 14, allowing more than adequate time for the illness to run its course.

Norovirus is very contagious. Common symptoms associated with norovirus are diarrhea, vomiting, and stomach pain. A loss of energy, mild headache and low-grade fever are sometimes present. There is no specific treatment for norovirus, and symptoms usually resolve within 24-48 hours. Dehydration is the most common complication.

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