Arvon Township School District Covid-19 Case Reporting 2020-2021 Emergency Order under MCL 333.2253

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Per guidance from Michigan's Department of Health and Human Services through Executive Order, K-12 schools are required to report probable and confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our school district. When notified by the Western U.P. Health Department (WUPHD), we have 24 hours to post this information on our website.

A brief definition of each:

- Confirmed cases of COVID-19: when a student or staff member tests positive for contracting COVID-19.
- Probable cases of COVID-19: when a student or staff member has either contracted one or more symptoms of COVID-19 *or* they have been in close contact (within 6 feet for longer than 15 minutes) with a person(s) who has tested positive for COVID-19.

We will only update these numbers when we receive this information from the health department. Since we opened school on September 1, 2020 Arvon Township School has not had any COVID-19 Cases to report.

In the future, if necessary, official numbers of cases as determined by the <u>Western Upper</u> <u>Peninsula Health Department</u>, will be reported here once the school is notified. We are unable to share specific information about a positive case or probable case as this is a violation of HIPAA and FERPA privacy laws. If a student or staff member has been identified as part of contact tracing, you will hear directly from the health department or from a school administrator.

WUPHD is working to coordinate its response with federal, state, and local officials, as well as healthcare professionals, institutions, schools, and community organizations.

To prevent the spread of COVID-19, people should:

- o Stay home if they are sick
- o Wash their hands frequently
- o Avoid close contact with sick people
- o Disinfect commonly touched surfaces
- o Wear a mask or cloth face covering when visiting public places
- o Avoid touching your face; avoid shaking hands
- o Follow suggested guidelines for social distancing