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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Today District 28 administration spoke with a substitute teacher who worked at Meadowbrook School on March 12 and 13 and who has since tested positive for the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) as of March 24. It is not known if the substitute was contagious during the time of the teaching duties. However, I think it is important that you are aware of this situation.

I understand concerns you may have in regard to the identification of the person so that individuals can assess their possibility of exposure. However, federal privacy laws prevent administration, or the school district, from sharing the name of the staff member or providing any information that would otherwise lead to the identification of this staff member.

At this juncture, we should not be surprised when “presumed positive” or “positive” test results are identified within our community. We assume this will continue to happen. This is a major reason why schools in Illinois are currently closed and why the Governor issued a “Stay at Home” order until April 7.

According to the World Health Organization, the most common symptoms of COVID-19 are fever, tiredness, and dry cough. Some people with COVID-19 have reported additional symptoms, such as aches and pains, nasal congestion, runny nose, sore throat, or diarrhea. In some situations, the virus can develop into pneumonia.

If you or anyone in your family is experiencing symptoms, please contact your health care provider for further guidance. For guidelines on when you should get tested, please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/testing.html> for the CDC’s advice. If your child tests positive for COVID-19, please notify the building principal. Your privacy will be maintained, and the information will help us determine if any additional safety measures need to be taken.

Updates and resources are provided on the Glenview Northbrook COVID-19 Task Force website and on the district website, northbrook28.net.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools