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Dear Staff, Students, and Families,

I'm writing to inform you about one additional positive COVID-19 case identified today at Old Orchard Beach High School. This additional case will result in school close contacts being quarantined per our Maine CDC investigation. **Due to the amount of staff and students required to quarantine, OOBHS will be closed tomorrow and Friday and we will be implementing our [OOBHS Remote Learning Plan and Schedule \(Linked\)](#).**

This time will enable our RSU 23 Health Team to thoroughly investigate the school-related case, consult with the Maine CDC and make a determination on safely reopening schools as soon as we are able. Teachers will be using the Red Remote Plan with their classes. The high school staff will be following up with students regarding their instructional plans and schedules.

I will be sending an update to the community regarding all of our schools and their status on Friday afternoon. I also will be holding virtual parent forums next week. I ask that all families please do their best to adhere to the CDC guidelines so we can slow the spread in our school community. We are at a crucial point and everyone must do their part so that we may resume in-person learning.

The additional cases identified within our school community may result in close contacts being quarantined per our investigation in collaboration with Maine CDC and DOE. **A school representative will contact you directly if you are identified as a close contact of someone who tested positive.** Close contacts will be asked to quarantine for 14 days from last exposure to the positive individual. A negative test result does not get an individual out of quarantine.

Questions for the school can be directed to our school nurses, Sarah Burnham, by calling 934-4461 Ext. 1503, sburnham@rsu23.org or Karen Michaud, 934-4848 Ext. 1103, kmichaud@rsu23.org. For general COVID-19 questions, dial 211 (or 1-866-811-5695). You can also text your ZIP code to 898-211 or email info@211maine.org. Call a health care provider for questions about your symptoms. More information can be found at www.maine.gov/dhhs/coronavirus or www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Suttie".

John Suttie, RSU 23 Superintendent of Schools