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Dear Parents, Family Members and Staff:

This letter is to inform you that an individual at Westlake School was identified this weekend as having a laboratory-confirmed case of COVID-19.

We are coordinating closely with public health officials and following CDC, State, and local guidance to assure the continued safety and wellness of our students and staff.

It was determined that the individual who tested positive was not present at Westlake School since Tuesday, March 9, 2021. Therefore, no close contact notifications nor other precautionary measures are necessary based on advisement of the Westfield Regional Health Office.

Cleaning and disinfection of Westlake School will continue in accordance with health and safety protocols outlined in the District Restart and Recovery Plan. You can access a copy of the plan on the Union County ESC website at www.ucesc.org.

Since September, there has not been a single incident of COVID-19 transmission at Westlake School. We thank students, parents and staff for their vigilance and request your continued cooperation in following the promoted safeguards of the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Avoiding large public gatherings and practicing social distancing;
- Wearing a face covering while in public; and
- Closely self-monitoring for symptoms of illness.

If you have any questions, please contact the Principal of Westlake School, Ms. Claudine Tantillo, at Ctantillo@ucesc.org or 908-232-4181 x 6002. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Michael Kowalski

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