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Dear Staff, Students, and Families,

This letter is to inform you that an individual associated with Jameson Elementary School recently tested positive for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). There is a possibility that other staff or students came in contact with these individuals and therefore may have been exposed to the virus. We are informing you out of an abundance of caution. Please monitor yourself/your student for signs and symptoms. Call a health care provider if symptoms start. It is important that you call a healthcare facility before you show up in person. Stay home if you are sick.

A school representative will contact you directly if you are identified as a close contact of someone who tested positive. Close contacts have been asked to quarantine for 10 days from last exposure. Those students and staff members who are quarantined will continue the educational process remotely. A negative test result does not remove the need for a close contact to quarantine.

Maine CDC recommends prevention measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. These measures include proper handwashing with soap and warm water, which is especially important after using the bathroom, before eating, and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. When soap and water is not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands and avoid close contact with people who are sick. Cover your cough or sneeze into a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

Questions for the school can be directed to JES Principal Kate Hersom (934-2891) or our school nurses, Sarah Burnham (934-4461 Ext. 1503) and Karen Michaud (934-4848 Ext. 1103). 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