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District COVID Update- 8/30/2020

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August 30, 2020

Parents and Staff,

We had a great start to our new and slightly different school year. We are very appreciative of how well our students have done following our new safety guidelines. Our staff has done an amazing job of frequent sanitizing. We are grateful for those extra efforts.

We are following the IA Dept. of Education guidelines. Here is the [link](#) for more information.

Today, Story County is registering at a 20.1% positivity rate in COVID-19 cases over the past fourteen days. However, the absenteeism rate at our school is extremely low, around 1%. We are tracking this daily.

We have all heard lots of information in the media on hybrid learning models. Our hybrid model is Parent Choice. Right now, approximately 15% of our students are remote learners.

For now, we will continue with school as it is currently operating, but we want you to be prepared should we need to switch to remote learning in the near future. We are monitoring the situation daily and will keep you apprised of this critical information. We are in daily contact with Story County Public Health. They are monitoring the County's healthcare resources.

Thank you for all of your help and support as we navigate these difficult times.

Lindsey Beecher
Gilbert CSD Superintendent

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