

Remote Learning Thursday & Friday: Turpin Only

November 18, 2020

Good afternoon,

This correspondence is being written to update you on Turpin's staff absences related to COVID-19. As of 3:00 p.m. this afternoon, 10 staff members with COVID-19 related incidents are absent; 3 with confirmed COVID-19 cases and 7 are home under quarantine. Additionally, 194 (19%) students are quarantined; 131 of whom the district is required to record as COVID-19 related absences with the Hamilton County Health Department. The other 63 students quarantined are a result of contact tracing conducted outside of Turpin High School.

Due to the pandemic circumstances regarding quarantine, 6 of Turpin's cafeteria staff are quarantined and unable to attend work. These employees are eligible to return to work on November 30, 2020. In addition, unrelated to this incident, 3 teachers who are quarantined are unable to return to school prior to Thanksgiving Break. As such, Turpin's 9-12 students will be assigned to the district's REMOTE learning model Thursday, November 19 and Friday, November 20. Students should check Schoology daily to review teacher expectations during both Thursday and Friday. This applies ONLY to Turpin High School. All extra curricular activities remain scheduled unless notified otherwise by your sponsor or coach.

I will provide additional information regarding instruction for Monday, November 23 and Tuesday, November 24 after further assessment of student and staff COVID-19 related health concerns.

I fully realize this situation will be difficult on students and parents. However, please know that this is a last resort decision that is based upon the best interest of our students', their families' and the Turpin staff's health and well-being.

I appreciate your support and understanding. Stay safe and well.

Yours in Education,



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