

# JESUP COMMUNITY SCHOOLS



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Dear Jesup Community School Parents and Families,

Happy Friday to everyone! We continue to power through a great start to the 2020-21 school year. Below I am sharing our current COVID related information for the third week of school. In addition to this weekly report, you should have also received a notification from our Food Service Department in regard to some exciting news. The Jesup School District has been approved for free breakfast and lunches for ALL students starting on Monday, September 14th, through December 31, 2020 (or until federal funds run out). This is possible due to additional funding that was approved for the summer meal program that took place this past spring/summer. Additional details can be found in the official letter. I highly recommend you consider having your child(ren) take advantage of this opportunity that is provided.

As of today, we currently have eight individuals who are in quarantine. One of these individuals has tested positive and seven of these individuals are on quarantine due to positive or potential positive exposures. We are very thankful for these current low numbers and we appreciate you, as parents, working with us when a positive exposure occurs or is suspected.

The county 14-day positivity rates are currently 4.4% for Buchanan County and 8.1% for Black Hawk County. This data changes frequently and can be found at <https://coronavirus.iowa.gov/>. We continue to monitor this data closely and we work hand in hand with Public Health as we address any positive cases or exposures. We ask for your continued diligence in the use of face masks and social distancing in and out of school as this will only help us in continuing to be able to offer on-site school and activities. We appreciate your support in helping to make this happen. If at any time you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's building principal. Stay J-Hawk Safe and J-Hawk Strong!

Thank you and take care,

Nathan