

Dear Big Spring Families:

Over the last several months, our District has been working on plans and protocols to address the health and safety of all students and staff throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic. A significant part of this planning included the development of the Big Spring School District – Resocialization of Athletics and Activities Plan. Within this plan, unique protocols were developed to ensure social distancing, the wearing of face coverings, thermal scanning, and a daily health screening process for student athletes. Despite all of these proactive efforts on the part of the student athletes, their families, coaches, and administration an unfortunate case of COVID-19 has been confirmed today with one of our student athletes on the volleyball team.

As a result of this confirmed positive case, we will adhere to our protocols and all activities associated with that sport will be suspended for 14 days. This will give students and their families adequate time to monitor for symptoms and to have a sole focus on their health and safety. While protocols that were in place for team workouts may reduce the likelihood of any spread, the reality is that COVID-19 isn't predictable and this safety precaution is necessary.

While this one case was isolated to one sport within our District, we operate as a family and as a result this district-wide communication was necessary. I ask that as a school community, we remain vigilant with our own personal efforts with regard to social distancing, utilization of masks, and quick reporting of any symptoms or cases that may be indicative of COVID-19. Thank you for your continued support throughout this time.

Sincerely,

Dr. Richard W. Fry  
Superintendent