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Dear Casco Bay High School Students and Families,

This letter is to inform you that the CDC has determined that the recent cases at Casco Bay High School constitute an outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). An outbreak means that there are three or more cases of COVID-19 within a 14-day period that meet the CDC criteria for an outbreak. An outbreak does not necessarily warrant a school closure. Since we have already executed the appropriate measures to respond to these recent cases including notifying and quarantining all close contacts and implementing our enhanced cleaning protocols, we have determined it is safe to remain in school. We will continue to collaborate with the CDC, monitor the situation and inform you if there are any updates.

We recognize the effect that these sudden shifts have had on everyone, and we want to assure you of our gratitude and our commitment to the safety and well being of our staff and students. Feel free to reach out to the principal, Derek Pierce, or the school nurse, Becky Bell, if you would like more information.

Best,

Aaron Townsend  
Assistant Superintendent of School Management