AUGUST 13, 2020 – Fayetteville City Schools has confirmed that an employee at Ralph Askins School has tested positive for COVID-19. Contact tracing has been completed, and those who were in close contact with the individual have been notified.

**No students were in close contact with the employee. Close contact is considered being within 6 feet of a person for 10 minutes or more.**

We ask that parents continue to check their children’s temperature prior to sending them to school each day, and if your child has any of the COVID-19 symptoms, as outlined by the Tennessee Department of Health, we ask that you keep your child at home. Our schools will continue to be diligent in completing symptom checks for all students and staff members daily. If a student is at school and has any of the symptoms outlined by the Tennessee Department of Health, we will contact parents/guardians to have the child picked up from school.

We want to assure our Tiger family that the safety and well-being of our students and staff is our top priority. We will continue to be diligent in following the latest guidance from the Tennessee Department of Health to keep all our Tigers as safe as possible.