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Single preschool class closed at Edwards Early Learning Center due to non-COVID viral infection

Parents notified with specific instructions

Eagle, CO – Eagle County Schools just announced that in cooperation with the Eagle County Department of Public Health and Environment it has temporarily closed the Panda Preschool classroom at the Edwards Early Learning Center (formally June Creek Elementary) for 10 days, due to several students showing symptoms of a viral infection. COVID-19 is not suspected as tests for the virus have come back negative. The common cold is an example of another virus.

The siblings of the Panda class are not required to quarantine. During this time, symptomatic child(ren) in the impacted households are directed to stay home and not go to other schools, activities, childcare, or other activities around other people and friends.

Twelve students and three staff members are impacted.

At present, there is no cause for concern or action for the other preschool classes, so they will continue operating as scheduled.

Each case of COVID-19 is followed up by public health. As part of this public health investigation:

- The person diagnosed is being kept home from school until they are no longer infectious.
- The person's activities when they could have spread COVID-19 are assessed.
- The people who were close contacts of the person with COVID-19 are instructed to stay home from school for 14 days after the exposure.
- Cooperation is critical to managing the spread of the virus.

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