Good evening parents, this is Vaughn White, Superintendent of Hesperia Community Schools with some information to share with you.

We quarantined a couple of elementary classrooms last week. We have also quarantined some middle school and high school students this week due to three covid-positive students, two in the middle school and one in the high school. Two of the students were identified through antigen testing and did not show any symptoms.

Quarantining students who have been within 6 feet, for more than 15 minutes of a positive Covid person, is a precaution we are mandated to do to help prevent the spread of the virus. When this happens we contact parents of students that meet these specific requirements. If you are not contacted, please know that your child did not meet these criteria and they will continue to have inperson learning.

Overall, our community spread is at a low rate after a significant decline over the last three months. However, as with the State numbers, we are now at a plateau and risk having numbers increase if we don't continue to use our standard precautions.

Parents, if your child is not feeling well, please keep them home and have them see the doctor. If there is someone in the home having covid symptoms and/or awaiting a covid test result, please keep your children home until you know that the test is negative. One positive student typically sends about 20 students home for quarantine. Following this guidance will help us keep students in school.

If you have any questions at all regarding whether you should keep your child home or not, side on keeping them home and contact the school or your doctor about the next steps. We are glad to answer your questions.