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Nine staff members, two students tested positive

SANTA FE – The Public Education Department on Oct. 8 announced 11 new positive cases of COVID-19 in the last 24 hours. Rapid response has been initiated, and all pertinent information has been verified. The following new cases have been reported:

One case in McKinley County. The infected individual is a staff member who was last on school property Oct. 2. All staff members and parents and guardians of all students in the affected school have been notified of the positive case.

Two cases in Bernalillo County. The infected individuals are staff members who were last on school property Sept. 23 and Oct. 5. All staff members and parents and guardians of all students in the affected school have been notified of the positive cases.

Two cases in Chaves County. The infected individuals are staff members who were last on school property Oct. 1 and Oct. 2. All staff members and parents and guardians of all students in the affected school have been notified of the positive cases.

One case in Curry County. The infected individual is a student who was last on school property Oct. 5. All staff members and parents and guardians of all students in the affected school have been notified of the positive case.

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Two cases in Doña Ana County. The infected individuals are staff members who were last on school property Sept. 22 and Oct. 7. All staff members and parents and guardians of all students in the affected school have been notified of the positive cases.

One case in Lincoln County. The infected individual is a staff member who was last on school property Oct. 1. All staff members and parents and guardians of all students in the affected school have been notified of the positive case.

One case in Roosevelt County. The infected individual is a student who was last on school property Sept. 14. All staff members and parents and guardians of all students in the affected school have been notified of the positive case.

One case in Sandoval County. The infected individual is a staff member who was last on school property Oct. 6. All staff members and parents and guardians of all students in the affected school have been notified of the positive case.

All "close contacts" will be informed of the positive case(s) and instructed to quarantine for 14 days.

The PED has collected this data since Aug. 17; since then, 267 total cases have been reported in 143 schools. Of those, 187 were staff, 80 were students.

For additional information about COVID-19 safety in schools, please visit: <https://bit.ly/SafeSchoolsNM>