

## LONE TREE WAIVER NOTES

We believe the rolling rate and 24-hour positivity rates show Johnson County well over 30% presently. The 17% positivity rate for Johnson County, we believe, will continue to climb. Our school board is concerned about surrounding counties and their positivity rate as well since we have several students open enroll into Lone Tree from those communities. Washington County is 18.7%, Louisa County is 16.4% and Muscatine County is 24.8%.

We have been fortunate with our staff “only” being positive with few scattered across our departments. But we have one bus driver out presently. Another one would impact our transportation. We have one out in our kitchen staff and another one would impact our food service abilities. This can be said with certified and classified staff as well. We have staff out either from a positive case or quarantining putting stress on the remaining staff in place.

We believe we are on the edge in many areas and feel the impact of the growing positivity percentages, information we get from the University of Iowa on available medical services, and finally the holidays coming upon us that we need to be online for the two weeks following the Thanksgiving break. Our adults in the building are covering for other absent adults and continue to work above and beyond their normal schedule. The stress is palpable. This is why we believe we need to have a waiver from November 30<sup>th</sup> through December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020.