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“Knox Public Health Investigating COVID-19 Case at Knox County Career Center”

Mount Vernon, OH - Knox Public Health is investigating a case of COVID-19 at the Knox County Career Center. The reported case involves a student at the Knox County Career Center (306 Martinsburg Road).

The Knox County Career Center is committed to the health and safety of our students and staff. We are working closely with Knox Public Health to help contain the spread of COVID-19 at the Knox County Career Center. Cleaning and disinfecting of the exposed location(s) has/have been completed. Knox Public Health will be calling anyone who may have been in close contact with the individual(s) who has/have contracted COVID-19. Therefore, it is very important that identified close contacts answer or return a phone call from Knox Public Health. For questions or concerns, please call Knox Public Health at 740-399-8014 or visit www.knoxhealth.com.

The Knox County Career Center will remain open at this time until further notice.

COVID-19 is a contagious respiratory disease that is spread mainly from person-to-person from people who are in close contact. Generally, close contact is defined as being within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more without two barriers in place. Symptoms of COVID-19 typically appear 2-14 days after exposure and may include fever/chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting and diarrhea.

The best prevention against COVID-19 includes:

- Practice social distancing of at least six feet
- Wear a face mask in public
- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Stay home if you are sick
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces
- Monitor your health daily for symptoms