Worth School District 127

DISTRICT OFFICE DR. ROSEMARY LUCAS ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER 11218 SOUTH RIDGELAND WORTH, IL 60482

May 12, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians:

This letter is to inform you that there has been a confirmed case of chickenpox at Worth Jr. High. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the procedure for when to keep your child at home and when it is appropriate to send your child back to school should your

child develop the symptoms of chickenpox.

Chickenpox is a mild and common childhood illness caused by a virus called varicella zoster. It is most common in children under the age of 10 and is contagious. The incubation period is approximately 21 days, and the person is contagious from 1 to 2 days before the spots appear until the spots have crusted over (usually 5-6 days after the spots appear).

Groups of people that are most at risk of serious problems are newborn babies, pregnant women, and those with a weakened immune system. If your child is showing symptoms of

chickenpox, please contact your child's school and consider contacting your family doctor.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's building principal.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mark T. Fleming Superintendent

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