Dear Westminster Public Schools Community,

Have fun, but be safe!

With the Labor Day weekend coming up I wanted to send you a quick reminder about the importance of making sure that you follow good safety practices over the holiday; what we have come to call the 3 W’s of WPS.

- Wear a mask
- Wash your hands
- Watch your distance

The start of in-person learning for the 2020-21 school year has gone very well because we have all been vigilant in protecting ourselves, friends, families, and strangers from COVID-19. As Board of Education President, Ryan McCoy, said during our last board meeting, “We can’t let up now.”

Today, we received another reminder of the importance of that message when we learned that a student at Skyline Vista Elementary tested positive for COVID-19. All of the people impacted by this development have been notified and our safety protocols are being followed.

Every time we have a confirmed case of COVID-19, we learn a little more about how to react and what message to share with the community. The big takeaway from this incident is to stress that if you have a child who has been tested for COVID-19, do not send them to school until test results have been confirmed, even if the child is feeling fine.

Every time a COVID-19 positive student interacts with their classmates its causes a ripple effect that impacts others.

Westminster Public Schools has worked very closely with the Tri-County Health Department to contain the virus and Executive Director, Dr. John Douglas, who has asked me to share a letter with you about our personal responsibility to the community.

Remember, we are all in this together.

Kindest regards,

Dr. Pamela Swanson, Superintendent of Schools