



# Melissa High School

Melissa Schools – “A Special Time in a Special Place”

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September 28, 2020

## Notification of Individuals Lab-Confirmed for COVID-19

In keeping with currently established guidelines put forth by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) regarding COVID-19, Melissa High School is notifying all parents/guardians of high school students, as well as all campus employees, that **three (3) students and one (1) campus employee have been lab-confirmed to have COVID-19**. The dates in which individuals were last on campus vary, but include Sept. 16, 2020, Sept. 24, 2020, and Sept. 25, 2020. Due to privacy requirements, we will not be releasing the names of these individuals or details that may identify them.

The affected individuals have been instructed to quarantine until all criteria for school re-entry are met. The district has conducted contact tracing and has confirmed that the individuals were not in close contact (as defined by TEA) with any students or employees. Areas heavily used by the lab-confirmed individuals have been disinfected. Per TEA guidelines, Melissa ISD will notify the Collin County Health Care Services of the lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases.

### **School will continue as normal.**

As a reminder, any of the following symptoms (if not typical for the individual) indicate a possible COVID-19 infection: Feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit, loss of taste or smell, cough, difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, fatigue, headache, chills, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, shaking or exaggerated shivering, significant muscle pain or ache, diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting.

**Any individual who has been lab-confirmed for COVID-19, or who is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 in a way that is not typical for them, must notify the school in accordance with TEA guidelines.** For your reference, please see the “Protocols for COVID-19 Cases, Symptoms & Close Contact” flow charts posted online at [www.melissaisd.org/return2020](http://www.melissaisd.org/return2020).

Sincerely,

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