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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As promised, we are providing an update about last night's postponed AHS Girls' Basketball playoff game. Unfortunately, it is not the news we had hoped for. Late last night, we were notified about a second individual from Saturday's basketball game, who tested positive for COVID-19. As a result, and in conjunction with our medical advisors from the Naugatuck Valley Health Department, we will be withdrawing from the Tournament.

We notified the team of this decision, as our highest priority is for their health and safety. As a school and district, we are saddened for our players who worked very hard this season. We also want to celebrate and congratulate our senior players and coaching staff who worked to turn this team around over the past four years. Last, we would like to thank the parents and guardians who have been extremely supportive and understanding during this difficult time.

While we cannot share the full details for privacy reasons, we can inform you that the adults and students impacted have been informed and will be quarantined for 14 days. Students will be able to return to school on April 5, 2021.

Ansonia Public Schools continues to work closely with the Naugatuck Valley Health District to perform contact tracing and quarantine close contacts to prevent the spread of the virus. Quarantining as a result of close contact tracing is not an indication that someone has contracted the virus; it is simply a prudent and precautionary step.

We cannot oversell the fact that our best protection from broad transmission of COVID-19 within our schools and community is a knowledgeable and attentive population. You have a part to play in keeping everyone safe by performing a daily health screening.

We will keep you up-to-date on any further developments as they happen. We will also continue to follow all recommended safety protocols. Finally, please remain Ansonia Strong as we all face this national health crisis together.

Sincerely,

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