May 5th, 2020 Update on COVID-19
(as of 4:30 pm)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (WI DHS) and the North Shore Health Department (NSHD), along with other local health departments are responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus, COVID-19. For the most current information, visit the CDC’s website or our website. Wisconsin DHS publishes statewide COVID-19 data that is updated daily.

We are currently monitoring 19 active cases in the North Shore, and we are also providing active monitoring for high-risk contacts of confirmed cases. We have triaged and processed over 1,310 suspect cases and/or contacts, and performed several large contact investigations, which involves notifying the contacts of their potential risk and educating them on self-quarantine guidelines. We are also managing several active cases in Milwaukee to assist the Milwaukee Health Department.

If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, testing is now available at the Milwaukee Community Health Centers: Click Here for more information.

This graph displays the total number of positive and negative test results received per day in the North Shore, as well as the percent of test results that were positive (3 day rolling average): These measures are released on a statewide level daily as a method of tracking mitigation progress throughout Wisconsin. This North Shore level data allows our department and the public to assess the status of our community.

Happy Teacher Appreciation Week! Thank you to all North Shore teachers that are continuing to educate and support their students during this time. We greatly appreciate your dedication now and always.

Do you have a teacher you would like to thank? Here are some creative ways to do so while we are safer at home.
Wisconsin is ramping up its contact tracing to prevent further spread of COVID-19: Robust contact tracing is essential as we plan to re-open Wisconsin in the coming weeks. The WI Department of Health Services is recruiting full and part-time contact tracers. See the job posting here.

This is a rapidly evolving situation and we encourage you to frequently monitor the DHS website for updates, as well as the NSHD website. Additional information on COVID-19 can be found on the CDC website.