# The Weekly Comet Update

From Tom Meyer, Superintendent of the Bellevue Community School District

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## District-Wide COVID-19 Information - October 23

The Bellevue CSD has the following information to release in regard to COVID-19 for this week and (last week) in the Bellevue CSD:

Building	Quarantine	Students
Elementary	15 (<6)	

MS/HS 8 (o)

District Total 23 (<6)

Student Positive Test Numbers for COVID-19 this week (total school year amount in parenthesis)

Elementary <6

MS/HS 0 (13)

**Staff members** at all levels testing positive is 7 in both buildings combined for the entire school year.

Below: Last week the Bellevue BIG Unified Champions Group had an outstanding engaging experience for students fishing last week.



### COVID-19 in Jackson County & Learning Beyond the "Norm"

The Bellevue CSD continues to combat and work to mitigate COVID-19. Our data is indicated on the left, along with overall weekly summaries on the district website at <a href="https://www.bellevue.k12.ia.us">www.bellevue.k12.ia.us</a>.

The positivity rate in Jackson County for COVID-19 testing is now at a record-high for the county at 14.5% (which is one of the highest 20 in the state at this time).

I encourage everyone to wear a mask to protect others, and yourself. Masks provide protection for those around you, as you may not recognize in the initial stages (or other times) you may have COVID-19 but may still impact the lives of others. The wearing of a mask is still one of the best things people can do (along with washing their hands, and other common habits for hygiene).. As I heard recently,...it is about halftime or entering the final period or quarter hopefully in our battle. We must keep doing what we have been doing, but even better!

### Visitors to our schools for learning

While we have limited visitors in our school buildings over the first few months of the school year, this does not mean that visitors are still not teaching and impacting our students and their learning. An example is former Bellevue CSD teacher, Dave Eischeid, who has shared his art talents remotely with students.



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