



Riverside County Public Health

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Student suspected of having active tuberculosis at Eleanor Roosevelt High School

A student at Eleanor Roosevelt High School is suspected of having active tuberculosis and Riverside County health officials are working with the Corona-Norco Unified School District to identify students and staff who might have been exposed.

The student is receiving treatment and is expected to recover, although the individual will not return to school until a medical clearance is issued. The teen is not being identified due to confidentiality requirements.

Riverside County health officials are sending out a letter to parents of students who have been identified as at-risk of being exposed to this illness. Staff members who may have been exposed will receive notification from the district.

As a precautionary measure the health department is recommending that anyone who receives the notice be screened with a TB skin test at a clinic being planned at the school later this month or be seen by their own medical provider. Those who do not receive notification are considered not to be at risk for exposure.

Riverside County Public Health Officer Dr. Cameron Kaiser emphasized the risk of transmission is very low.

“While the risk of infection is slight, it is important that those who are notified take the time to get tested,” Kaiser said. “It will provide peace of mind for those who are concerned about being exposed or begin the next step in the evaluation process.”