

Dear Riverview Community,

We hope that you are safe, peaceful, and well. I wanted to touch base with you today to update you on a few important items:

1. **Gratitude** - We want to thank our teachers, administrators, and staff for a positive transition to in-person learning. I visited every classroom on Thursday and Friday of last week and did my best to attend pickup and drop off times as well. Although the environment was slightly different than students were used to, the students seemed happy, comfortable, and excited. It was INCREDIBLE to have students in the buildings again. Having students in attendance definitely re-energized the staff and infused some excitement into our school routines. We hope that you and your children felt the same way!
2. **Morning Checklist Reminder** - Please remember to abide by the morning checklist guidelines prior to sending your children to school. If you notice that your child is exhibiting ANY of the symptoms included on the list, please keep them home until symptoms subside and allow them to log into their courses remotely (as long as their health and symptoms allow for it). **Morning Checklist Link**
3. **COVID Alerts** - As we have discussed numerous times in board meetings and videos, you will not be alerted of Covid cases unless your child has been exposed to the virus (by definition, this means they were less than 6ft from an exposed individual for at least 15 consecutive minutes). If we must close one of our classrooms or schools due to complications with the virus, you will be informed.
4. **Safety Reminder** - We want to continue to provide in-person learning options to our students. Therefore, we all have to do our part to mitigate the spread of the virus. Each week, I receive multiple updates from the County Health Department in terms of the spread and treatment of the virus. Reports and experiential data show that school is a relatively safe environment due to strict mask guidelines, cleaning and disinfecting protocols, and social distancing requirements. According to the Health Department, Covid is spread in communities outside of school via gatherings, parties, sleepovers, and other situations where people are together without the use of masks. Therefore, we respectfully ask that you do your best to wear your masks, avoid gatherings where masks are not being worn, and avoid parties or gatherings with people you do not know, or with whom you are unaware of their routine(s). If we all adhere to these guidelines, we can continue to keep schools open and keep our students and staff safe! We thank you in advance for this.
5. **Travel Guidelines** - We encourage ALL families to make accommodations to stay home during the holidays this year. This will help us to stay safe. If you

do decide to travel, please adhere to the travel guidance from the Department of Health and quarantine for the appropriate period of time upon your return. If this is the case, make sure you also alert the school and let them know.

**Covid-19 Information for Travelers Link**

6. **Attendance and Truancy** - The same attendance and truancy laws apply this year as in the past. Therefore, it's important to make certain that your child either attends school in person (if they are in hybrid), or logs into their courses remotely every day. Failure to attend school will result in trips to the district magistrate and/or fines, etc. The school can also report attendance issues to the County or CYF in order to investigate reasons as to why your child is not attending. If your child is ill, you have three days to write an excuse and send it in. You can also take a picture of your excuse (with your signature) and email it to your school's secretary. If they are well enough to participate remotely, please make sure they do so. We thank you!

Overall, we are doing quite well here and are happy and grateful to continue to serve you and your children. Please continue to stay safe, follow guidelines, and do your part to help us stay open and be safe!

Have a wonderful week. The weather is AMAZING! Get outside and enjoy it.

Sincerely,

The Riverview Administration