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February 22, 2022

Dear Families of the Brentwood Borough School District,

The purpose of this letter is to provide a summary of the changes that were Board approved at the February 22, 2022, meeting to the District's Health and Safety Plan.

Masks

- The PDE, the DOH, and the ACHD are recommending that masks remain in place due to the level of transmission in Allegheny County. We are anticipating new guidance being released to in the next week. The plan will be revisited when that guidance is received.
- The administration recommended to the Board that the mask mandate remain in place if Allegheny County Level of Transmission is in the **substantial** or **high** ranges. As of February 22, 2022, Allegheny County is in the **high** range as outlined by the CDC.
- Each week, the administration will confirm the level of transmission within the county. When the transmission rate drops to the moderate or low range, the mask requirement will become optional for students and staff.
- Our students, staff, and visitors have worked extremely well to ensure that our students have access to masks each day.
- As per federal regulations, masks are still required on public transportation including busses.

Physical Distancing

- Physical distancing will continue to remain in place to the greatest extent possible.
- The gymnasiums will continue to be used at both elementary buildings for breakfast and lunch. When Allegheny County moves to the moderate or low category and masks are removed, students will return to the cafeteria only.

Diagnostic Testing

- The District submitted the Statement of Assurances to the DOH.
- After approval is received, the District expects to have the testing program running three
 weeks later. Families will receive additional information explaining how the testing
 program works after our staff is trained.

The District will continue to monitor active cases of COVID-19 and will post the charts on the District's COVID-19 webpage. Also located on the page will be the most updated Health and Safety plan. If you have specific questions about your child(ren)'s health, please contact one of our nursing professionals

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of the Brentwood Borough School District