

Happy New Year!

I hope this correspondence finds you all well. As 2022 approaches, an update is being offered. Our District has maintained continuous communication with the Department of Health during the recess and continues to monitor our district data. Thank you to our nurses, contact tracers, and administrators. The Central West Region is still in the "orange", always a week behind. Three regions are in the "red (high)" and may offer us a window to our future. Some districts within the "high" regions are offering a remote platform or a modified daily schedule. Our district continues to respond to this evolving situation.

As always, thank you for your support.

Be safe – be well

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Please review:

- Opening, **January 3, 2022**, on a regular district schedule – full day
- As of 12/31 transportation offers **no** changes in the arrival/dismissal schedules
- Lunch will be served
- Work-Family Connection will maintain their schedule
- Final guidelines from NJDOE were received this morning - No change from the information received on December 15/December 27th. See attachment
 - Hunterdon County Department of Health

Updated Isolation & Quarantine Timeframes

CDC has not yet applied the recently revised isolation and quarantine timeframes for the general population to K-12 schools. Therefore, until CDC updates school-specific guidance, it is recommended that K-12 schools continue to follow conventional isolation and quarantine timeframes (10-day isolation/exclusion; 7 or 10-day quarantine/exclusion with and without negative testing). Watch for future updates as guidance may change in the near future.

- During recess twenty-five (25) positive cases were reported with contact tracing for eighteen (18) cases
- Weekly Covid Report
 - https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/COVID%2019%20Report_Week_2021_51.pdf

The NJ DOH has advised that schools continue implementing the isolation and quarantine guidelines previously released on December 12 while they review the new

CDC guidelines and determine the application for schools. CTSD is adapting protocols and procedures aligned with NJ DOH and CDC guidelines

To maintain a healthy environment at school, please contact your school nurse and keep your child home **when any of the following occur:**

- Your child is sick. Contact the school nurse for follow-up instructions.
- If your child's test is positive for COVID-19. Contact the school nurse for a return to school timeline.
- Anyone in your household tests positive. Contact the school nurse for quarantine and isolation instructions.
- Your child has been identified as a close contact of an individual who is positive for COVID-19 outside of school. Contact the school nurse for quarantine and isolation instructions.

Please send your child to school wearing a well-fitting mask and send at least one extra in a plastic bag in their backpack as a backup.