



WOODBIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

40 Beecher Road – South
Woodbridge, Connecticut 06525

Jonathan S. Budd, Ph.D. – Superintendent

January 7, 2022

Dear Woodbridge School District Community,

This first school week of 2022 certainly had more than its share of surprises and complexity! Thank you again for your continued support of our community of learners, and please review the following important updates:

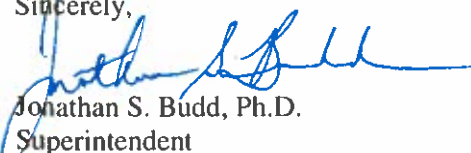
- Our website has been down for the past few days due to a national Finalsweb web hosting issue which that company is working on resolving. When access is fully restored, we will update the website, [including our "Safe Return" webpage](#).
- On the three days that school was held this week, we saw a staff in-person attendance rate of approximately 85% and a student in-person attendance rate that began the week at approximately 83% and ended the week at approximately 89%. Many thanks are due our staff for working under challenging circumstances; your children continue to be in good, safe hands and continue to experience the joy of learning!
- Our District continues to contact-trace because we believe it is morally appropriate at this time to advise staff and families of potential exposure they had to other individuals with COVID-19. Since my last communication in this regard (December 30), we have contact-traced based on notifications that 8 members of our community tested positive for COVID-19, and were at Beecher Road School when potentially contagious:

Case	Reported to BRS	Last at BRS	Contract Tracing Accomplished	# of additional BRS community members quarantined
1	1/4/22	1/3/22	1/4/22	0
2	1/4/22	1/4/22	1/4/22	1
3	1/5/22	1/4/22	1/5/22	2
4	1/5/22	1/3/22	1/5/22	2
5	1/6/22	1/5/22	1/6/22	18
6	1/6/22	1/4/22	1/6/22	0
7	1/6/22	1/6/22	1/6/22	0
8	1/6/22	1/6/22	1/6/22	0

- The most important thing is to please keep your child home from school when your child feels sick, or has a fever, runny nose, or shortness of breath. Additionally, your child should come to Beecher with a mask that fits well over his/her nose and mouth.
- We continue to have a supply of COVID-19 rapid self-test kits for use by children who: (a) have had direct "close contact" exposure to an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19; or (b) are exhibiting symptoms and need to be screened for COVID-19. If your child falls into either category and you need a test, please [e-mail our Nursing Supervisor, Ms. Robin Froehle, RN](#), who will approve your request, place your name on the test pickup list, and advise you of test pickup protocols.
- Given the number of cases to which our staff are responding, if your child tests positive for COVID-19, please continue to e-mail all of the following three individuals so that we can advise you appropriately on next steps related to your child's education: BRS Principal Analisa Sherman (asherman@woodbridgeps.org); BRS Assistant Principal Jimmy Sapia (jsapia@woodbridgeps.org); and Superintendent Jonathan Budd (jbudd@woodbridgeps.org).

Our District continues to be a community that embraces working together for the good of all. Thank you for your part in that continued endeavor, and please do not hesitate to contact me at any time (jbudd@woodbridgeps.org / 203-387-6631).

Sincerely,


Jonathan S. Budd, Ph.D.
Superintendent

*Have a
wonderful
weekend!*