

November 25, 2020

Dear Parkland Staff and Families,

This memo serves to inform all staff and families that Parkland School District has decided to sign the attestation form stating that we will continue mitigation efforts designed to reduce the spread of COVID-19 to the greatest extent possible **in order to keep our schools open**. We will do this under the new public health <u>guidance</u> that was shared on November 23 with regards to the size of each building and the respective positive COVID-19 caseload in each school building. We recognize that our entire community plays a role in adhering to the health and safety measures put forth by the Pennsylvania Department of Health to help to keep schools open.

By signing the <u>attestation form</u>, we are agreeing to ensure that the District will follow the <u>updated</u> <u>Recommendations for Pre-K to 12 Schools Following Identification of a Case(s) of COVID-19</u> from the Pennsylvania Department of Education that was issued on November 23, 2020. The District also agrees to follow the <u>updated face coverings order</u> that went into effect on November 18, 2020.

I can't stress enough the important role that we all play in ensuring the safety, health and well-being of the entire school community. We can mitigate the spread of the virus in our schools if we can continue to heed the advice of the Department of Health by wearing a face covering, social distancing, practicing good hygiene and adhering to the guidance regarding travel and gatherings with persons not habitually together. These measures remain critical to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Thank you and stay safe and healthy over this holiday weekend. Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family.

Richard T. Sniscak Superintendent of Schools