



November 29, 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your family had an opportunity to relax and enjoy some time off over the Thanksgiving break. While we only have three weeks until Christmas holidays, and with Covid-19 cases rising, we absolutely must be vigilant in protecting our school environment from infections. As we prepare for a return to school on Monday, make sure you remember to follow these guidelines.

1. *If over the break your child has had, or currently has any COVID-19 symptoms prior to Monday morning, please keep your child home and notify Lynn Gray as soon as possible. We will develop the best plan of action for your child.*
2. *If any family member in your home develops symptoms related to COVID-19 and needs to be tested, please keep your child home until you have the results of the test. Notify Lynn Gray as soon as possible.*
3. *If you receive information that someone you were in contact with over the Thanksgiving break develops COVID-19 symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19, please keep your child home and notify Lynn Gray as soon as possible.*
4. *Symptoms of COVID-19 may appear 2-14 days after exposure and may include: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath, fatigue, body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea.*

Our school nurse, Lynn Gray, has been working tirelessly to ensure we keep the school safe. Please recognize that the best way to make good decisions is to have as much information as possible. We are counting on our families to communicate immediately and with transparency any concerns. Also, please understand that we are required to report to the Department of Public Health any positive case as well as their close contacts within our student body or staff. To clarify, a positive test would have been already reported by the testing facility associated with your physician. However, we are required as a school to do the same.

We want to do everything we can to keep the school moving forward. Please help us as we navigate through the next few weeks.

Sincerely,
Allen Lowe
Head of School