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To: All BUUSD Employees
From: David Wells, Superintendent
Re: COVID-19 Guidance for Employees
Date: January 27, 2021

BUUSD and Vermont in general has done quite well during the COVID-19 pandemic when compared with other states. Health professionals know this is because we follow safety guidance. There have been recent instances, however, where BUUSD employees have not followed the Governor's orders on COVID-19 restrictions. It is essential that all employees follow these restrictions for the health and safety of our students and colleagues. Failure to follow these guidelines puts students and staff at risk and may result in disciplinary action.

Please see the guidance below:

[Guidance on Out of State Travel from the Vermont Department of Health: Travelers Must Quarantine](#)

<https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/travel-quarantine/vermonters-traveling-out-state>

[Governor Scott's Order on Multiple Household Gatherings:](#)

Multiple Household Social Gatherings Suspended. Attendance at all public and private social, recreational and entertainment gatherings, indoor and outdoor, including large social gatherings incidental to ceremonies, holiday gatherings, parties and celebrations, shall be limited to participation with only members of a single household. For the sake of clarity, nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members living in the same residence. Individuals who live alone may gather with members of their immediate family residing in a different household.

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Guidance from the BUUSD Reopening Plan:

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GUIDANCE FOR TEACHERS AND STAFF ON SOCIAL DISTANCING (including all contracted staff)

- Employees must follow the Governor's Orders on COVID-19 restrictions including but not limited to travel and multiple-household gatherings.
- Employees must follow social distancing requirements at all times including wearing a mask, staying six feet apart from adults and older students.
- Employees should be sure to sign in to classrooms or other spaces they are entering.
- Limit congregating with or entering the workspace of other staff members who are not assigned to your work/position.
- Limit the number of staff working with a student to those who are specifically assigned to that student.
- Employees should use specific assigned spaces for breaks and lunch periods.
- Employees must complete the daily affirmation web survey each day they enter the building.
 - Employees with even mild COVID-19 symptoms must not report to work.
 - Employees must be symptom free (without medication) for 24 hours prior to returning to work
- Employees who were tested or receive a positive test, or told to quarantine should inform their building principals and school nurse, who will inform other direct supervisors. This does not apply to employees who participate in AOE COVID-19 Surveillance Testing administered at school.
- If a household member is asked to quarantine by the VDH, a healthcare provider, or school employee, for any reason, we are asking that all members of the household follow the same guidance and quarantine as well as it relates to school. This applies to in-person learning, extracurricular activities and work at school.