

Dear Lamoille North Families,

We hope you enjoy your April school break and look forward to your return to finish the school year strong.

Our schools have successfully met this year's safety and health challenges that were required to keep our school community safe, including implementing and supporting all guidelines from the Vermont Department of Health (VTDOH) and the Agency of Education (AOE), and working to respond to cases and outbreaks as they had arisen.

The latest updated guidance from the AOE, recently shared with you by our Superintendent, Catherine Gallagher, https://education.vermont.gov/sites/aoe/files/documents/edu-vdh-guidance-strong-and-healthy-year-school-health-updated-04-08-2021.pdf, is designed to account for all we have learned and is based on the evolving understanding of COVID-19 in the school setting.

Accordingly, effective after April break, we will no longer be requiring siblings of close contacts who attend schools in our district to also quarantine. We will be requiring siblings of confirmed cases to quarantine.

If you have COVID-19, you should stay away from other people, including people in your household. If you cannot avoid close contact with those you take care of (i.e. your children), then the people you take care of should stay home and away from other people while you are sick. They should also <u>quarantine</u> for 14 days after you are able to end <u>home isolation</u>.

Let's all continue to do our best to finish the school year strong by following all applicable and relevant health and safety guidance in force through the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

Thank you for your continued support,

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