



# PRINCETON DAY SCHOOL

January 5, 2022

Dear Families of Middle School and Upper School Students,

Although we aspire to be fully in person and on campus, we need to allow that managing this virus might require other short-term responses.

We are writing with important updates for the month of January, which we ask that you read and review carefully.

## **COVID Policies**

Princeton Day School follows the regulations of the CDC. **As you are aware, our website provider is experiencing an outage, so please see the most recent PDS Together protocols on the homepage of the [Parent Portal](#).** When [pds.org](https://pds.org) is fully back online, you can go to [PDS Together](#) to read the School's most recently updated policies and protocols. We urge you to do so as the policies have changed once again since the end of December and there are new guidelines for schools that differ from the general public. There is a button on the homepage that will lead you to [PDS Together](#). (Or select PDS Together from the Academics dropdown menu.) Please continue to use this as a resource.

## **Student Accommodations**

We recognize that Covid is disruptive and requires our students to remain at home for an extended period of time. Students who are required to quarantine or isolate will work with the division Learning Specialist to ensure

the student is supported during their time off campus. Students with approved accommodations will have access to join classes virtually starting on Friday, January 7. Learning activities will continue to be centered in the classroom, so participation may be limited.

### **Seeking Approved Accommodations**

All students who have been contacted by the PDS Health Office will receive accommodations. For all other inquiries, contact the PDS Together Team at [pdstogether@pds.org](mailto:pdstogether@pds.org).

### **End of Semester Update**

We have made the decision to extend the first semester one week, from Friday, January 14 to Friday, January 21. This change will ensure that all students can effectively complete their work and receive a fair and accurate grade for the semester. Second semester will start on Monday, January 24.

### **Faculty Update**

To ensure continuity in educational instruction, faculty who are unable to come to campus will be permitted to teach virtually. Faculty will need prior approval for this special accommodation.

### **Sick Child Policy**

To help us keep our community safe, we ask that you do not send your child to school if they have a pending Covid test or have any symptoms of Covid. If your child is Covid positive, contact the Health Office at [healthoffice@pds.org](mailto:healthoffice@pds.org) immediately.

We thank you for your partnership and support during these challenging times.

Sincerely,

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Chris Rhodes

Acting Head of Upper School

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Renée C. Price

Head of Middle School and Assistant Head of School for Academic Life