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Dear Parkland Families,

Happy New Year to you and your family. Hopefully, you have had an opportunity to celebrate and rest during the holiday break. As you may know, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) recently updated their guidance on isolation and quarantine as it relates to COVID infections and exposures. Additionally, the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PADOH) has provided an update for Pennsylvania Schools. This message is intended to provide additional information and help you make the best decision about your child.

In summary, the new CDC guidance states:

- Individuals diagnosed with COVID-19 should isolate for 5 days
- Individuals may return to work after 5 days of isolation if they are fever-free for 24 hours without medication and have improvement in their symptoms. Asymptomatic individuals may return after 5 days of isolation from the date of their test. A face covering should be worn around others for an additional 5 days after the 5-day isolation period ends.
- Individuals who have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 and have received a booster vaccine or are within 6 months of receiving their primary vaccine series should wear a mask around others for 10 days, but do not need to guarantine.

Please review the following link for complete information:

Updated Student Symptom Screening and Reporting Tool

We are looking forward to returning from break tomorrow, Monday, January 3, 2022. Students are expected to continue following the Health and Safety Plan, which includes wearing face coverings to school. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this time.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mark Madson Superintendent of Schools Parkland School District