



KEENEYVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT 20

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Dear Keeneyville District 20 Families,

I want to thank our families, students and staff for your patience and understanding as the District navigated the uncertain and changing COVID-19 landscape for Illinois schools. It has been a confusing and chaotic time for everyone. I heard from many of you and I thank you for sharing your varying perspectives and input with me. It is reassuring to know that we share the same goal, which is to provide a safe in-person environment for our students so that they can learn and grow in school. I am confident that with our collaborative partnership, we can continue to meet that goal.

We have been very pleased with how smoothly the transition to mask optional has gone this week. While there is still a great deal of anxiety and caution surrounding COVID-19 for much of our community, we are happy to be able to provide personal choice for some of our layered mitigations at this time. We are grateful to our families and staff for helping to encourage kindness and respect for one another's choices to help all of our students feel comfortable and safe in school.

As promised, the District has continued to monitor our school and community metrics, as well as other COVID-19 information, with the aim of reducing mitigation efforts when possible. We want to share with you the **COVID-19 Mitigation Updates** ([ENGLISH](#) / [SPANISH](#)) that will be presented at the Board of Education Meeting tomorrow evening, February 24. ***Please take a few minutes to review the presentation, so that you are aware of the updated mitigation efforts and options available to your family starting this week.*** We encourage you to email info@esd20.org or reach out to your school with any questions or concerns.

Thank you again for continued partnership and support.

Sincerely,

Dr. Omar Castillo
Superintendent of Schools
Keeneyville ESD 20