



August 9, 2022

Dear DISD Families,

We're so excited to begin the 2022-2023 school year on Wednesday, August 17th. Our district family has been hard at work preparing for the arrival of our students and we can't wait to see them!

Although the situation around COVID-19 has much improved over the past year, according to health officials, we are still in the midst of a global pandemic. As we bring students and staff back onto our campuses, we want to continue to do everything that we can to ensure their well-being, while also providing optimal learning environments.

I'd like to share our district's COVID-19 protocols for the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

- Danville Independent Schools will provide in-person instruction district-wide. Our Virtual Learning Academy is available in the same model as last school year, with required criteria for entry and a semester commitment for enrollment. A reminder that the registration deadline for the fall semester has passed and in-district VLA enrollment is closed until the spring semester.
- The use of masks for students, staff, and visitors is encouraged, but not required.
- Vaccines for those who are eligible are encouraged, but not required.
- Our district will continue to utilize enhanced cleaning protocols.
- DISD will not operate a Test-to-Stay program.

We encourage you to utilize COVID-19 testing for symptomatic household members. If your child tests positive for COVID-19, we ask that you contact your school nurse to report the illness, which will help us to provide support for your family and also assist with monitoring the level of COVID-19 in our schools. As we have done in the past, we will continue to base our decisions about any changes in protocols around what is best for our students, staff, and community.

The 2022-2023 school year promises to be a special one, filled with friendship, growth, and learning. Thank you, Danville families, for being our partners in your child's education.

Respectfully,
Dr. Gregory E. Ross
Superintendent