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Dear Families and Staff,

I want to thank everyone for their efforts in returning our students to full in-person learning. Over the past few weeks we have learned that positive COVID-19 cases can lead to many students being quarantined. Although there has been minimal school spread, we need to follow the state guidance on quarantining.

While the state travel ordinance has been changed to an advisory, we hope that students and staff who travel out of state over April break will consider having a COVID test showing a negative result before returning to school. As a community, we want to limit as much positive exposure as possible, and subsequently limit quarantining when we return to school. Fortunately, all students currently on quarantine will be able to return after April break.

If you have any concerns as we return from break, please consider keeping your child at home until you have been able to obtain a negative test or have a conversation with one of the school nurses. It can be challenging at this time of year to distinguish allergy symptoms from COVID symptoms. Here is a helpful <u>guide</u> addressing the topic which had been previously sent out by our school nurses.

We wish all of you an enjoyable break and look forward to seeing everyone when we return.

Sincerely,

Matthew A. Keegan

Superintendent of Schools