## **Updated Reminders for BHMS In-Person Instruction During the Pandemic**

## December 20, 2021: Reminders

**Reminder #1**...Please screen your child before school. If they are not feeling well or have a symptom related to COVID-19, please keep them home. Remember, the pandemic and positive cases are happening. Please err on the side of caution; please don't assume stuffiness, fatigue, a cough is not a big deal. Those are viable symptoms of a normal cold and viable symptoms of COVID-19

**Reminder #2...**If your BHMS student has a sibling who has symptoms related to COVID-19 and/or the sibling tested positive, please do not send your other child to school. We have had cases where a student came to school was a direct contact and was asymptomatic but eventually COVID-19 positive when tested. This is a problem when contact tracing.

**Reminder #3...**If a student is fully vaccinated, even if they were a direct contact to someone who is COVID-19 positive, the vaccinated student does not have to quarantine. Simply monitor their symptoms and consider getting them tested after

**Reminder #4...** Please encourage your children to wear their mask properly over their nose and mouth in classes. Properly worn masks helps potentially keep kids in school if they were direct contacts.

**Reminder #5...**When possible, encourage your child to be socially distanced. It's hard in school with 600 people in the building, but when they can it would be helpful.

**Reminder #6...**Students are highly encouraged to wash their hands regularly and/or sanitize their hands either using their own hand sanitizer or the ones provided by the school. Please encourage your child to be diligent about this.

**Reminder #7...**When in the Orange phase, gym locker rooms and locker room restrooms must be closed. This creates a close contact measure that is counterproductive to keeping children social distanced in the school, especially during PE Class.

**Reminder #8...** Keep in mind that the district's remote instruction is not aimed to replicate what was in place last year. If your child must quarantine, they will be invited to remote into class. The teacher will let the students in via the link but will focus predominately on the class present at school. The idea is that the students have access to learning, not necessarily the teacher. Students are asked to follow the directions of the teacher in class regarding cameras in the remote setting to promote the necessary interaction requested.