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"Bulldog...It's more than our mascot; it's our character"

Michael J. D'Ostilio Principal Gregory Muscelli, Ed.D. Assistant Principal

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Dear Bulldog Families and Staff,

Earlier in the day, we received notification that an individual from Bunker Hill tested positive for COVID-19. We are conducting contact tracing and will be reaching out to a small number of individuals who will need to quarantine as being possibly in close contact with the individual who tested positive. If you do not get a call from Mrs. Keane, Dr. Muscelli, or me, there would be no reason to quarantine.

In this letter, I'm also including a link which explains how test results do or do not impact when you can return to school. I provided a chart for you as a quick reference. The title of the link is titled, "NJDOH Recommendations for Testing/Quarantine/Isolation Periods"

Take care Bulldogs. Remember keep 6 feet apart, wear masks around people, wash/sanitize hands routinely.

Keep being şafe,

Mike D'Ostilio

Please consult the links to past letters to you that provide specific details regarding courses of action we take in the in person and remote settings and how our decisions are affected by the trajectory of the pandemic. Please see below:

<u>September 24, 2020</u>...Reference of our first COVID-19 Positive Case and the contact tracing and cleaning protocols we do for each case when the individual was in the building.

November 24, 2020... Explanation of the difference between "symptomatic" and "presumptive positive".

<u>December 10, 2020</u>...Reminder to keep Mrs. Keane informed (even in the remote environment) of COVID-19 Positive Cases.

<u>All Bunker Hill Correspondence to Families</u>...Location of all past and current newsletters and written correspondence during the 20-21 school year from Mr. D'Ostilio to families. This includes all letters of affirmed positive COVID-19 Cases surrounding Bunker Hill Middle School

<u>COVID Act Now – Gloucester County, NJ</u>...Tracks (live) the numbers of COVID-19 cases and positivity ratings in Gloucester County. It also makes recommendations.

<u>New Jersey Department of Health Weekly Report</u>...This report is current based on the previous weeks' numbers. This is always a week behind, but this report updates every Thursday.

<u>COVID-19 Vaccination Hub</u>...This gives you locations of all testing sites per county and provides other links in how to schedule a vaccine appointment.

<u>January 24, 2020 Letter to Families Regarding COVID Testing of School Age Children and "Alternative Diagnosis"</u>...children who have COVID-like symptoms as a result of a cold, allergies, asthma, etc. will still be asked to either quarantine or obtain a negative COVID test prior to returning to school.

NJDOH Recommendations for Testing/Quarantine/Isolation Periods... This info graphic discusses testing timeframes when there is a possible exposure and what to do if the test is positive or negative