

BUNKER HILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

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Dear Bulldog Families and Staff,

This evening we received information that an individual at Bunker Hill tested positive for COVID-19. This individual has not been in school since Friday, January 29, 2021. Therefore, there has been no exposure to anyone in Bunker Hill as a result of contact to this individual. Moreover, for this individual, no one needs to quarantine with this case.

This case continues to remind us the importance of staying 6 feet apart from each other, properly wearing masks, and washing/sanitizing hands regularly. Remember a direct contact is someone who, regardless of wearing a mask, is less than 6 feet from someone who is positive for COVID-19 for a cumulative time of 15 minutes or more.

Please see the links below if you have not done so already. They delineate our procedures and provide explanations to terminology as well.

Take care Bulldogs. Stay safe.

Very Truly Yours,

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.

January 24, 2020 Letter to Families Regarding COVID Testing of School Age Children and "Alternative Diagnosis"...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.

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