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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,

Hope this weekend finds you well. I'm writing this letter to you to inform you of another individual who received confirmation that they are positive for COVID-19. This individual was last in the building on January 12, 2021. That evening we were notified of symptoms. We recently got back test results. We can confirm that no student would be considered a direct contact based on our contact tracing protocol. We have informed staff who could possibly have had contact as well.

It is important to know of our cleaning protocols which are outlined in the "September 24, 2020" Letter below. With the news of symptoms after the school day had ended on January 12, we are still able to ensure our rooms were sanitized as a result of our cleaning protocols.

We continue to remain incredibly vigilant to cases and contact tracing involving positive case reports.

With regard to scheduling a vaccine for the adults in your household, you should consult the "COVID-19 Vaccination Hub" link below. That link lets you know the various testing sites. In addition, it is recommended that you download the app "MyChart" and link it to your primary care provider. You can download the app from the App Store or Google Play Store. Each hospital group (Jefferson, Cooper, Virtua, Inspira, etc.) use MyChart to help guide you through the scheduling process for a vaccine. Once you set up my chart on the computer, populate it to your phone or tablet, and schedule your vaccine, you will get an email with the date/time/location of your 1st and 2nd doses of the vaccine. Please be sure to consult your medical provider about specifics.

As always, please consult the past correspondence below. These links can be very helpful in understanding our protocols and how we are working to keep everyone safe.

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

Sincerely,

Mike D'Ostilio