

December 31, 2020

Good afternoon,

I hope everyone has enjoyed the school vacation week thus far as we head into the New Year. We wanted to provide the following reminders to all our families on our hybrid schedule and COVID-19 testing and quarantine information as we return to school on Monday, January 4, 2021.

Returning from school vacation in a hybrid model

Students are scheduled to return from school vacation on Monday, January 4, 2021. Upon their return, our schools will continue to follow our hybrid learning model. This hybrid model is currently scheduled to continue through January 18. There are no changes to the way hybrid learning is scheduled -- it is the same format we are currently using. Students whose last names begin with A - K will attend in-person learning on Mondays and Tuesdays. Students whose last names begin with L - Z will attend in-person on Thursdays and Fridays. All students will continue to learn remotely on Wednesdays. Parents continue to have the option to have their students learn fully remote. Some of our students with additional services will continue with their current schedule as previously messaged by Dr. Tudryn last week.

If any families would like to change the learning model for their children (in-person to remote or remote to in-person) we ask you to contact the main office of your child's school. If you have any questions, please contact your child's school.

Important COVID-19 testing and quarantine information

Parents, please ensure you have updated your school nurse if your child tested positive for COVID-19 or is self-quarantining based on an exposure to ensure that school nurses have accurate information. If your child is tested for COVID-19 -- whether it be COVID-19 testing for travel or for illness -- your child cannot return to school until their school has received the results of their COVID-19 test.

We also need to remind families that anyone who travels to a state listed on the Governor's travel advisory must quarantine for 14 days prior to returning to school. Please check the CT travel ban website (<https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/travel>). The states under travel advisory are color-coded in red. If the state turns red while you are traveling, you must quarantine before returning to school.

Following these protocols are critical to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and we ask that you not return to school after travel without observing the quarantine.

We thank you for your assistance and we look forward to seeing the students return on Monday!

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