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Dear Parents/Guardians/Faculty/Staff:

Our goal for the 2021-22 school year is to stay open for full-time, in-person instruction, for all of our students, for the entire school year. We believe we can do this safely. The public health measures listed below will be implemented with this goal in mind. These public health measures are based upon the *NYSED Health and Safety Guide for the 2021-2022 School Year* and the *Onondaga County Health Department Guidance for K-12 School Reopening*. Here are links to each of these documents: [NYSED Guidance](#), [OCHD Guidance](#).

- Masks will be required at all times when in our school buildings or on our school buses, regardless of vaccination status. Appropriate mask breaks will be allowed.
- In our school buildings, everyone should maintain three feet of social distance when possible.
- Indoor physical education classes will focus on low risk activities. Classes will take place outside when appropriate.
- Appropriate mitigations will be implemented in band and chorus classes.
- Those with COVID-like symptoms should stay home, or will be sent home, and will need a specific diagnosis from a medical professional or a negative COVID test to return to school.
- In order to increase ventilation and air flow, windows will be left open when possible in school buildings and on school buses.
- Proper hand washing and good respiratory hygiene will be encouraged.
- COVID-19 contaminated areas will be deep cleaned and decontaminated.
- We anticipate that the Onondaga County Health Department will make voluntary COVID testing available through our school nurses' offices.
- Appropriate tutoring will be provided for students under an official Onondaga County Health Department Quarantine Order.
- Virtual learning options will be available only for students with legitimate, documented physical or mental health issues.
- Parent volunteers and other visitors to our schools will be limited.
- Please note that according to current Onondaga County Health Department quarantine guidelines, vaccinated individuals are far less likely to get quarantined.

I know I speak on behalf of our entire faculty and staff in saying that we are all very excited to welcome our students back for the start of the 2021-22 school year.

Sincerely,

*Robert J. Hughes*

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