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Tuesday, January 4, 2022

Dear District 25 Staff & Families,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! I sincerely hope you were able to find some time to rest, relax, and enjoy your family over Winter Break.

COVID-19 numbers are on the rise and we are not immune to the impact of that in District 25. Just today, we had 159 students and 42 staff members excluded from our buildings due to either being positive, symptomatic, or a close contact to a positive case.

In order to ensure that we keep learning as safely as possible, in-person, we wanted to remind everyone to review the District 25 [COVID-19 Protocols & Guidelines](#). We appreciate the continued collaboration with you, and encourage you to keep us informed of COVID-19 cases within your households. Please remember that it is better to keep a child home if you think they might have symptoms in order to keep their classroom and/or school as safe as possible.

We are working on updating our pandemic dashboard with both a daily chart and the weekly trend data. Additionally, each school is continuing to send letters daily to school families when a positive case is reported for that school. If you are not receiving letters from your school, please notify our Head of Communications, Adam Harris (aharris@sd25.org) so that he can look into the issue.

I appreciate the work of our staff who are covering extra classes, our guest teachers who are stepping in where needed to keep our classrooms learning in-person, and our parents for partnering with us to support our students.

As always, we will need to continue to be flexible so that we can provide the best possible learning experience for our students. I intend to continue in-person learning. However, if staff



SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

absences continue to rise and/or we experience outbreaks in our schools, we may need to close a school and make up the days in June or change to a temporary remote format.

I will update our District 25 community as new information becomes available.

Sincerely,

Lori D. Bein, Ed.D.
Superintendent

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