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Parents/Guardians,

Greetings! School district faculty, staff and administration are looking forward to the start of the 2022/23 school year. Hopefully, it is a school year that will be unaffected by Covid. Recently, the PA Department of Health issued new guidance related to quarantining of **exposed** individuals. According to PAHAN 656, which is the most recent guidance from the PA Department of Health, individuals who are exposed to Covid do not need to quarantine but need to wear a mask for 10 days after exposure to an infected person. Additionally, the PA DoH recommends testing on Day #6 post-exposure. The school district will not be conducting contact tracing unless required to by the PA Dept. of Health or unless the district is experiencing an outbreak of cases. An outbreak will be defined as 5% or more of the staff and students in one or both schools contracting Covid. While the school district will not be conducting contact tracing in most situations, students living in the same household as a person with active Covid will automatically be identified as a close contact. Please contact the school nurse immediately (570-853-4921 Ext. 1345/2347) if your child has been exposed to someone with Covid.

The guidance for individuals who test positive for Covid or are exhibiting symptoms of Covid has remained unchanged. These individuals must isolate for a minimum of five days from the onset of symptoms or from testing positive for Covid. A return to school after five days of isolation is possible if the student is fever-free for at least 24 hours. Additionally, all individuals returning from isolation must wear a mask for five days upon their return to school. If you have any questions or concerns related to this notice, please contact the school nurse's office. I appreciate your understanding and support of the district's policies and protocols focused on ensuring the safety of all students, employees and visitors.

Thank you,

Bronson Stone,
Superintendent of Schools