



10/13/2021

To: Lincoln-Hubbard Families
Fr: Matt Carlin
Re: Important Follow Up Items For Review - October

Dear L-H Parents: Please take time to review the following items pursuant to my October 2021 Principal's Update that was sent earlier this week.

Covid Testing: (Please review and contact Mrs. Diakos with any inquiries)

DISTRICT COVID TESTING GUIDELINES

General COVID testing guidelines:

- Both the rapid or PCR COVID test is acceptable when testing if symptomatic, or to shorten a travel quarantine. We recommend consulting with your child's physician for their testing recommendations.
- *Please note, all students awaiting PCR test results must remain home until the test result is returned. If a rapid and a PCR test are obtained at the same time, and the rapid test is negative, students are to remain home until PCR test results are received.*

At-Home COVID testing guidelines:

- Parents/guardians, please be aware that any positive home-based COVID test must be reported immediately to the school nurse and principal, the student should isolate, and a follow up PCR test is necessary within 24 hours.
- If a home-based test is positive, and the follow up PCR test taken within 24 hours of the home-based test comes back negative, the student may return to school, along with any close contacts who were also under quarantine. Here are some additional clarifications as per the New Jersey Department of Health:

In K-12 schools, home-based tests:

- May be used for screening testing of asymptomatic staff/students with no known exposure
- May be used to implement public health actions if positive tests are reported, including isolation recommendations and contact tracing
- May be used to shorten quarantine from 10 to 7 days after travel
- Should not be used to determine whether symptomatic individuals may return to school, unless performed with "direct healthcare oversight" (which is a telehealth visit where the COVID testing procedure is observed by a licensed medical provider, and the test result is reported on physician letterhead , OR, if the specimen obtained at home and is then mailed to a testing laboratory for processing.)
- Should not be used to shorten quarantine from 10 to 7 days after exposure to a COVID-19 case (when risk matrix is green/low or yellow/moderate) unless performed with direct healthcare oversight or performed in a testing laboratory.

Parent/Teacher Conferences:

- As noted in previous communications - including 2021 Back To School Night presentations - Parent teacher conferences are scheduled for Mon. 11/1, Tues.11/2, and Weds. 11/3.
- These dates are/have been specifically set aside on the District calendar to allow teachers and parents to meet and discuss student progress as it relates to the start of the 2021-2022 school year.
- Teachers have sent communications and follow up communications to parents about sign ups and need for sign ups.
- Parents should contact their child's teacher if you need to confirm/identify available conference times for 11/1-11/3, as this will be the dates used for parent/teacher conferences this year.
- To also confirm, all students/staff are expected to be in school Monday 11/1 and Wednesday 11/3 - as these are single-session instructional days on the District calendar. There is no school for students on Tuesday, 11/2, but there will be parent/teacher conferences planned for the afternoon of 11/2.
- Again - please contact your child's teacher as needed to ensure your conference date/time for 11/1-11/3.

October Principal Coffee Information:

Submit Questions No Later than Weds. 10/20/2021 via:

<https://forms.gle/yCJXZHHT3cgyzHGA9>

Zoom meeting link - Thursday, 10/21, 2021 - 7 p.m.:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86850848336?pwd=Z1RaOEpvaWNMY0JQdG00TEJpY1Nudz09>

Meeting ID: 868 5084 8336

Passcode: 288363

Friday 10/22/2021 - **IN PERSON COFFEE (BYOC)** - 9:00 AM @ OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

OR

Zoom meeting link for Friday morning if weather is an issue- 9 a.m.:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82243284393?pwd=V05ZM3ZBdFd1S3pXbWFrOHBHOTZ4Zz09>

Meeting ID: 822 4328 4393

Passcode: 776448

Thank you for your review of the above information.

Enjoy the remainder of your week, and I look forward to connecting with you all even more next Friday, 10/22 @ the L-H Homecoming Event (6:00-7:30 PM)!

- Matt