



# TWINSBURG CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Twinsburg Schools Family:

Today, I reported the following COVID-positive case to Summit County Public Health officials:

- One (1) On-Campus fourth grade student.

As of today, we exceeded 100 COVID-positive cases for this school year. One year ago, at seven weeks into the school year, there were 19 COVID-positive cases. Needless to say, many in our school family are being impacted by this ongoing pandemic.

You may recall our commitment to reevaluate our District's Reopening Plan every six (6) weeks to determine if any adjustments could be made to our plan. We are closely watching our own school community's COVID data as well as that of Summit County. Last night, during the Board of Education Meeting, I presented that data as well as the results of a Staff Survey regarding our COVID-19 Visitor Guidance Procedures. I also made recommendations to the Board of Education regarding several of our COVID protocols, including our Visitor Guidance Procedures. The following procedures were authorized by the Board of Education during their meeting last evening:

1. Masks will continue to be required for all students in grades Kindergarten through twelve. Preschool students are strongly encouraged to wear masks. Mask exemptions which were previously authorized will remain intact;
2. Masks are required to be worn while on our school buses and vans;
3. Masks are not required when students are actively participating in Physical Education classes, or are outdoors for recess, athletics, or other activities;
4. Staff members who teach, supervise and/or come into direct contact with our students are required to wear masks;
5. Parent/Teacher Conferences and IEP Meetings, 504 Meetings, and other meetings will continue to be held virtually for at least the next six (6) weeks. In the event that a parent has a specific need for an in-person conference, they are welcome to contact the building principal and arrangements will be made to accommodate their request;
6. Field trips are permitted however, we are unable to welcome parents or guardians as chaperones for these trips as we continue to limit others to our class cohorts;
7. Parent assistance for clerical/office tasks is permissible. These tasks will be completed in the office or other common spaces, and not in classrooms. All COVID protocols must be followed;
8. On-campus Booster/PTA sponsored events (eg Book Fairs) held in common spaces will be permissible with limited parental participation;



9. Although our teachers enjoy welcoming visitors to their classrooms, due to physical distance requirements, there is limited space for additional individuals in our classrooms, therefore, at this time, we are unable to welcome parents and/or guardians in our classrooms;
10. Youth recreational leagues may resume their use of our facilities as long as COVID-19 protocols are followed;
11. School Support Organizations including our PTAs/Boosters/Foundation may use the facilities for meetings, fundraisers, and events, as long as COVID-19 protocols are followed. Plans for fundraisers and events must be authorized prior to publication;
12. All visitors will be required to wear masks and to practice our COVID-19 protocols; and
13. These COVID-19 Visitor Guidance Procedures will be re-evaluated with further recommendations made to the Board of Education on November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Although these procedures may disappoint some of our families, please know that we continue to take an abundance of precaution to ensure that our schools are as safe and healthy as possible for our students, for our staff members, and for our families.

A reminder that tomorrow, Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup> is NEOEA Day. Our students do not have school tomorrow.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a great weekend!  
Kathi Powers  
Superintendent

