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Dear Voorhees Community,

I hope this email finds you well. As the reopening of our schools quickly approaches, I would like to take a moment to outline some of our protocols and procedures that will be in place at the start of the 2021-2022 school year. Many of these procedures were utilized during the 2020-2021 school year and helped mitigate any widespread transmission of Covid 19.

- Hand sanitizing stations are distributed throughout all schools.
- Signage encouraging social distancing and hygiene have been posted throughout all schools.
- Upon entering school, students will proceed directly to their classroom.
- Utilization of UV lights will continue in all classrooms.
- Sanitizing ionization units have been installed in all HVAC units.
- All HVAC units will be inspected four times annually by an outside contractor.
- All bathrooms have been furnished with touchless faucets.
- Classroom desks will be arranged according to DOE recommended guidelines.
- Desk shields will be made available upon request.
- Temperature checks of all students upon arrival.
- All drinking fountains will remain turned off and bottle filling stations will be made available.
- Staff will be encouraged to provide outdoor mask breaks throughout the day.
- Staff will be encouraged to increase the flow of fresh air inside classrooms.
- Whenever possible, students will be spaced apart in cafeterias, and shields will be utilized.
- Eating spaces will be rotated each lunch period allowing for proper cleaning and sanitizing.
- Where needed additional cafeteria seating will be made available.
- Additional outdoor seating at VMS will be made available during lunch.
- Students will be discouraged from sharing food items.
- Initially, visitors and guests will be restricted.
- To start of the school year students in the School Age After School Program (SAC) will be asked to provide their own afternoon snack.
- All families will be electronically notified of any positive Covid-19 cases.
- Families deemed to be in close contact will be notified by the school nurse or office staff.
- A 2021-2022 Covid Dashboard will be posted to our district homepage.
- The Camden County Department of Health will guide quarantining protocols.
- Staff "Vaccine Booster Clinic" has been tentatively scheduled for November 11, 2021.

The Voorhees Township School District looks forward to providing five full days of instruction for all our students. Our dedicated administration, teachers and support staff will make the safety and welfare of our students a priority. Again, we recognize that the start of the 2021-2022 school year will bring many challenges and acknowledge that some of these protocols may need to be adjusted.

As always, thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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