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Dear BCIT School Community,

In anticipation of a return to in-person learning on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, I wanted to provide an update on the State's COVID-19 policies which impact the District, including the "COVID-19 Public Health Recommendation for Local Health Departments for K-12 Schools" (<https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/RecommendationsForLocalHealthDeptsK12Schools.pdf>) which was issued yesterday.

Mask Requirements

On January 11, 2022, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order 280 which declared a Public Health Emergency, and Executive Order 281, which continued the previous requirements to use a facemask while indoors in a school setting, except for certain specified circumstances. Based on this, all students, staff and visitors will be required to wear a mask while indoors, unless one of the exceptions applies. Links to the District policy, as well as links to the Executive Orders can be found below.

- Gov. Murphy Press Release regarding declaration of Public Health emergency
<https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562022/approved/20220111d.shtml>
- BCIT District Policy 1648.11
[Policy 1648.11 The Road Forward COVID-19 Health and Safety](#)

Quarantine and Isolation Timeframe now 5 Days, not 10

Effective immediately, the District will follow the 5 day timeframe for staff and student quarantine and isolation described in the New Jersey Department Of Health (NJDOH) document below. Our district will provide more information based on additional NJDOH guidance specific for schools which should be forthcoming.

https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/isolation_quarantine_nonhealthcare.pdf

BCIT Quarantine Guidelines Matrix

I would like to thank all members of the school community for their flexibility and cooperation through these past few weeks. I look forward to seeing everyone in person next week!

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools