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Ms. Alisha DiCorpo Superintendent of Schools

December 30, 2021

Good morning,

I hope everyone had a wonderful winter break and that you have a happy New Year as well. As you have heard, the Covid numbers across the state continue to increase daily. Prior to the break, an email was shared with staff and families asking for students and staff to be prepared in the event that the State required school districts to move to remote learning. I am writing today to inform you that next week New Milford Public Schools will return to in-person learning as planned. As such, please review the following reminders as we prepare to return to in-person learning next week:

- 1. We kindly ask that you do not send your child to school if they are exhibiting any Covid or flu-like symptoms.
- 2. We will continue to implement all of our current mitigation strategies in each school across the district as we reopen.
- 3. We will continue to work hard to address any transportation concerns with All Star, recognizing that staffing may be affected.
- 4. As we enter into the new year, the State has informed school districts that we will be receiving Covid at-home test kits for students. Once we are informed as to where and when we can pick up the kits, we will communicate our distribution plan. At this time, we are awaiting additional guidance from the State.
- 5. Additionally, as of today, December 30, 2021, we have been told that the updated CDC quarantine guidance is being reviewed for schools. However, at this time, the updated guidance does not apply to schools. If there is an update, I will communicate with you at that time. In the interim, please review the guidance on quarantine and isolation periods that was sent out on December 8, 2021:

https://content.myconnectsuite.com/api/documents/8785169524884bc18911b67f0c53eda8.pdf

Wishing you all a happy, healthy New Year. Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we continue to navigate the pandemic.

Sincerely,

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