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Good Morning Families and Staff:

Last evening, Governor Lamont held a press conference where he endorsed a plan to eliminate the statewide requirement that is in effect for masks to be worn in schools and childcare centers effective Monday, February 28, 2022. On that date, the Governor shared that the determination on whether or not to require masks in these locations is to be made at the local level in consultation with the local Department of Public Health. In addition, the Governor shared in a press release that "the plan is contingent upon the Connecticut General Assembly voting to extend – through legislation – the Governor's existing executive order that enables the public health commissioner with the ability of implementing mask requirements in certain settings."

In the interim, the State Department of Public Health along with the State Department of Education has promised school districts additional guidance and metrics. As we await the information, we ask for your continued patience and support.

It's important to note that students are required to wear masks on school transportation and in school as we continue operating under the executive order of the Governor.

As the days have progressed, our daily positivity rates in the schools have declined. Therefore, beginning Monday, February 14, 2022 the daily letters sent from the schools will be discontinued, however, the dashboard will continue to be updated daily for your reference.

Sincerely,

Alisha DiCorpo Superintendent

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