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October 9, 2020

Dear Brentwood Families,

The Brentwood Borough School District was notified today that one Middle School student tested positive for COVID-19. After consultation with the Allegheny County Health Department it was determined that no Middle School students or staff were required to quarantine. The ACHD does not recommend the closing of any district school buildings.

The box below lists the most common symptoms related to COVID-19. The most recent guidance from the CDC recommends testing for students displaying these symptoms. With the increase in the number of testing sites, the results of the tests are returning in 1-3 days which is also helping to stop the spread.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fever</li><li>• Shortness of Breath</li><li>• Muscle or Body Aches</li><li>• Loss of Smell or Taste</li><li>• Nausea, Vomiting</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chills</li><li>• Fatigue</li><li>• Headaches</li><li>• Congestion, runny nose</li><li>• Diarrhea</li></ul> |
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At the beginning of this week, the District transitioned a group of students to either in-person classes or online classes based on parent requests. Due to the community outbreak of COVID-19 cases, the District **will not increase the number of days students attend** and will **not increase the number of students that return to the building at this time**. When the positive cases return to the "low" level as outlined by the ACHD, the District will re-evaluate and inform families of plans for moving forward. The timeframe for re-evaluation will most likely occur at the end of October.

On another topic, the District was notified that the Chromebooks will be delayed for at least another month. For background knowledge, the new school year budget began on July 1, 2020. The Chromebook order was placed in July, and the vendor accepted the purchase order shortly thereafter. An inquiry has been made weekly on the status of the Chromebook order. When the District was notified that the order would be delayed another month, we inquired about leasing different devices that may be available sooner. The vendors informed us that the delay of equipment is a widespread issue, and we would not be able to secure enough devices to suite our needs. Since the devices have been delayed again, we will continue to provide instructional opportunities through in-person learning and paper and pencil. Please continue to remain in contact with your child(ren)'s teacher to determine how best to meet their needs.

We remain committed to providing educational, athletic, artistic, and social/emotional opportunities for our students. We are grateful for the support of our families. We will keep families informed of any changes to the schedule or modifications to our Health and Safety plan.

If you would like more information about the updated frequently asked questions, please visit our website at [bb-sd.com](http://bb-sd.com), select **Departments**, scroll down to the **COVID-19** section, and click the link called **FAQs** updated 10-2-2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Amy M. Burch', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Amy M. Burch, D.Ed.  
Superintendent of the Brentwood Borough School District