



August 28, 2021

Re: Covid-19 Update and Dress Code Reminder

Spectrum Families,

Covid-19 Update

Given the rising number of Covid-positive cases in the state and locally, Spectrum administration continues to monitor the situation daily. Spectrum is anticipating school to begin Monday, August 30 as planned. At this time, masks continue to be optional on campus and parents of students who are symptomatic need to notify the Health Clerk right away and have their student stay home. Parents of students who are considered to be close contacts of those who test positive will be informed and will need to decide whether they wish for their student to quarantine (as long as they do not have symptoms). Masks will continue to be required on buses in accordance with the federal mandate.

Spectrum's priority is to keep students in school in person as long as we are able to do so safely and maintain enough staff on campus to effectively run the school. If too many staff are out sick or the number of Covid-positive cases climbs dramatically, a decision may be made to adjust the school calendar in order to provide time for teachers to prepare for a period of asynchronous distance learning for all students. If that happens, the goal will be to get back on campus as quickly as possible – once able to do so safely and sufficient staff are available to cover students.

Dress Code

As students adjust to being back in school from the summer, they sometimes need reminders about dress code expectations at school. Please review the dress code with your student, beginning on page 36 of the *2021-2022 Student/Family Handbook* (found on the Spectrum website [here](#)), and plan accordingly.

The intent of the Spectrum Dress Code is to provide a safe and productive learning environment with limited distractions. Students should dress for success. Any apparel that is a potential danger to themselves or others is not permitted. Dress for school should be clean and in good condition. If students have any confusion regarding whether their clothing meets dress code, they are free to consult with the office at any time.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership.

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