

January 7, 2022

Dear District 118 Family:

Thank you for your patience as we waited to receive new guidance from the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) and Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) guidelines. As of today, quarantine periods for schools are now reduced to 5 days to focus on the period when a person is most infectious, followed by continued masking for an additional 5 days.

With a reduction in the number of days required for quarantining, we can adjust our calendar and return to in-person learning sooner. With the following changes, we can shift our calendar and minimize the number of days needed for remote learning during the week of January 10, 2022 – January 14, 2022.

The school calendar for next week is as follows:

- Monday, January 10, 2022 Traditional Calendar Semester Planning Day (Originally scheduled for Friday, 01/14) No school for Traditional Calendar students. Staff report to buildings.
 - Northeast Elementary Calendar Remote Learning Day Follow remote learning schedule. Staff will report to the building.
- **Tuesday, January 11, 2022** All students return to in-person learning. Regular schedules resume and all extra-curricular activities resume. ISBE and IDPH Guidelines are in full effect. Masks are mandatory in all schools.
- Wednesday, January 12, 2022 Friday, January 14, 2022 Regular Attendance School Days.

Shifting the Traditional Calendar Semester Planning Day from Friday to Monday makes it possible to honor the required 5-day quarantine period for staff and return to in person learning sooner. As positivity rates are changing in Vermilion County, we ask that you continue to closely monitor your child, yourself, other close family members, and anyone living in your home. More detailed information about COVID-19 signs and symptoms can be found at the Illinois Department of Public Health's website.

Thank you for your flexibility as we navigate the changing information that impacts our schools and staff. If you have any COVID related questions, we have identified Mrs. Danielle Montgomery, School Nurse, as our point of contact. She can be reached at 217-444-1603 or <u>MontgomeryD@danville118.org</u>.

Please stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Dr. Alicia Geddis Superintendent

Danville Community Consolidated School District No. 118