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Dear Bristol Borough School District Community,

I hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday. As we return to school on Monday, January 3, I would like to update you on the latest regarding COVID guidelines.

The following is the latest from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) regarding isolation of those who have tested positive: ***“People with COVID-19 should isolate for 5 days (not 10 days) and if they are asymptomatic or the symptoms are resolving (without fever for 24 hours), follow that by 5 days of wearing a mask when around others to minimize the risk of infecting people they encounter.”***

What does this “5 day change” mean to students and faculty at BBSD regarding the school?

This means that Day 1 is the date following the date the COVID test was administered. If an individual does not have any symptoms they may return on Day 6.

Who should NOT return to school on January 3?

1. Individuals who are symptomatic on January 3, 2022
2. Individuals who are still awaiting results of a COVID test
3. Individuals who have tested positive for COVID on or since December 30, 2021
4. Individuals who are not vaccinated and have been exposed to COVID 19 must stay home for 5 days. After that continue to wear a mask. If you are unable to quarantine you must wear a mask for 10 days. Test on day 5 if possible.

If I do not have COVID, must I wear a mask at school?

Yes - the Bristol Borough School District will continue to mandate wearing masks indoors and on school transportation. With the increase of COVID cases in Bucks County, the District feels this is the best option to keep everyone safe.

Respectfully,
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