Seymour Public Schools

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Dear Seymour Staff and Families,

We are excited to welcome back our students for in-person learning on Wednesday, September 1, 2021! These last few days will pass quickly. This letter is to share a few updates that will be in place when school starts.

You may have heard in the news recently that masks are required for all students and staff in pre-K- 12 school buildings through September 30, 2021. This information is accurate and will be adhered to in all Seymour Schools. Per Governor Lamont's Executive Order 12 A, **all students and staff in public schools must wear a mask regardless of vaccination status.** This mandate was not a local board of education decision, it was a state of Connecticut decision, but it is important to note that Seymour Board of Education and Seymour First Selectwoman Drugonis fully support this mandate as a health and safety strategy to protect our students and staff.

Important Considerations:

- All students, staff, and personnel in schools will wear masks while inside school buildings and on buses until at least September 30, 2021.
- Masks will be provided on buses and in schools for students not having a mask.
- Masks are not required when outside or when students are eating.
- All learning is in-person. There is no remote learning option for students this year.
- A vaccinated student or staff member does not need to quarantine if they have contact with a positive individual unless feeling ill. More detailed quarantine information will be provided in a separate document on our website.
- Please review our Return to School PowerPoint and Frequently Asked Questions found on our website for additional information. Please also continue to ask questions via email and phone calls, as we know that information helps everyone stay safe and feel prepared.

Please continue to practice and model healthy habits that will allow us all to return to school together.

Thank you,

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