

Dear Timberlane Families:

December 10, 2020

The Timberlane schools are committed to serving the students of the district with as much in person education as possible for those who choose it, while still maintaining the health and safety procedures outlined in our [TRSD Return to School Plan](#). We believe that for those families that choose to have their child in person, this is the best for their family for many reasons (emotional health of the student, allowing parents to work, educational services for their child, etc.), but all of those benefits are jeopardized when students are sent to school with signs and symptoms of COVID-19, or are in violation of their quarantine. To that end, we are once again asking for your ongoing help to prevent COVID-19 from impacting our school community as a whole and looking out for the welfare of all staff and students. We would like you adhere to the following reminders.

- If your child is symptomatic with any signs and symptoms of COVID-19 or any other communicable disease, please stay home and report the child's signs and symptoms to the school nurse. [Timberlane Student and Staff Absentee Report for School Nurses](#)
- Monitor your child and family members for signs and symptoms daily.
- Practice proper and effective social distancing in school, and in all public places.
- Wear a mask (properly) when in the schools and in public places.
- Convey truthful and timely information to school nurses and administration.
- Dutifully adhere to quarantine and isolation recommendations and instructions from school nurses.
- Students who fail to adhere to the health and safety protocols, including wearing a mask, social distancing, and proper quarantining, may be asked to stay at home.
- Be patient, respectful and kind with teachers, nurses, paras, counselors, custodians, support staff, administrators, and students. This is a tough time for everyone, and everyone is giving it their best effort to be successful.

Please understand that TRSD takes the COVID -19 virus seriously, and all decisions are made with an abundance of caution based on the best information that we have at the time with guidance from medical professionals. Since our last district wide communication, TRSD has asked more students and staff to quarantine due to signs and symptoms or exposure. Yet, we have thankfully not had any documented transmission of the virus within the school buildings. With your help, we intend to keep students in the school buildings where we believe they will be healthy and safe. Please see the district [Return to school parent and student information webpage](#) with information on district and individual school notices, resources from the health offices and food services, as well as information to help with remote learning.

Thank you for your support and partnership to keep our school healthy this year!

Sincerely,

*Dr. Brian Cochrane*

Interim Superintendent of Schools