



Livingston PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Livingston Public Schools Community:

We are excited to implement our [Spring Forward at LPS 2021](#) Plan. Below are two important reminders as we look to the weeks ahead.

DAILY COVID TRACKER - The Livingston Public Schools has been utilizing a Daily Covid Tracker form throughout the 2020-2021 school year as a primary safety measure. Each day, we monitor “check marks” to determine which students were approved to attend school in person. The form is programmed to recognize and inform community members when a quarantine may be necessary, and to instruct individuals to remain out of school. **The form is absolutely vital to our contact tracing efforts.** As we bring more students back to school for in-person learning, this tool will be even more critical.

It is essential to the health and safety of our entire school community that the Daily Covid Tracker form be filled out completely and accurately each day. Going forward, if it is discovered that the Daily COVID Tracker Form has been filled out inaccurately, and the presence of a student in our schools could negatively impact the health and safety of our school community (ie. not truthfully reporting travel or symptoms) the student will immediately be moved to the full-remote learning model.

As we look forward to Spring Break, it is imperative that everyone who intends to travel over break review the [New Jersey Travel guidelines](#), in particular the guidelines around travel-related quarantines. It is expected that all members of the Livingston Public Schools Community review, understand, and follow these guidelines. Honesty around travel, and adherence to quarantine guidelines, must happen for health and safety to be maintained in our schools.

Throughout the pandemic, we have consistently emphasized the need to take care of each other, and to consider the well-being of the broader community as we make individual choices. Filling out the Daily COVID Tracker form each day with fidelity and honesty is fundamental to the safety of our students, staff, and community.

SECONDARY SCHOOL COMMITMENT FORM - DUE MONDAY NIGHT - We are looking forward to finalizing the next pivot plan at the secondary schools in the coming weeks. Having an accurate count of how many students plan to return to in-person learning after spring break is extremely important to our planning process. Without an accurate count, we will not be able to truly maximize the number of in-person learners we can have in our secondary schools each day. Our administrators are examining [various plans for implementation](#) after spring break. Please be sure to complete your child’s commitment form no later than this Monday, March 8, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.

Thank you for your attention to these two important items and have a nice weekend!

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Block
Superintendent of Schools