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Dear Livingston Public Schools Community:

The State recently updated the <u>COVID Activity Level Index (CALI) report</u>. The report indicates that Essex County is now considered within the HIGH activity level (Orange). Prior to the announcement of this new designation late last week, our region had been at the MODERATE activity level (Yellow) since April.

This change in COVID-19 activity level will require the Livingston Public Schools to follow the requirements and recommendations provided by the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH), which establishes the Quarantine Timeframes by COVID-19 Regional Transmission Risk Level (CALI Score). Accordingly, any unvaccinated student or staff member who is exposed to COVID-19 must now quarantine for 14-days. Please note that while in the high activity level, providing a negative COVID test result during quarantine will not allow the unvaccinated student or staff member to return to school (the individual must complete the full 14-day quarantine period).

For more information regarding NJDOH requirements and recommendations, please feel free to visit the NJDOH website and view their COVID-19 <u>Public Health Recommendations for Local Health</u> <u>Departments for K-12 Schools</u>.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Block, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools