



BYRON CENTER CHARTER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and guardians of BCCS Students,

This is sent as a brief update from BCCS as we head into the Thanksgiving Holiday.

This past Friday all Kent County Schools received multiple updates from the health department. Perhaps the most significant was the [Public Health Warning](#). There is much information provided in this document as well as several recommendations.

To reiterate, BCCS is committed to providing in-school instruction as long as we are responsibly and safely able to do so. We fully intend to have K-8 students return on Monday, November 30th and HS students return to school on December 8th.

Another useful document shared from KCHD was this COVID [Reduce the Risk infographic](#). It is a good reminder for all of us as we head into the holiday season.

It is recognized there to be a fair amount of concern about increased positive cases in schools after this upcoming Thanksgiving. In kind, we ask the members of our school community to be vigilant with observing the recommended precautions. We ask for parents to keep students home after the break if you come to learn there were close contacts with people who had or developed COVID related symptoms and/or are being tested. The positivity rates in this county are great and the chances of coming in contact with the virus when multiple households gather is substantial. Please communicate with one another and the school to mitigate the opportunity of transmission within the school community.

Other Updates

From The Counselor's Chair

9th- 12 Grade: We will be hosting a virtual lunch for anyone that would like to join on December 1 and 3 from 11:15-11:45. I will send out a link to the student's gmail. We look forward to seeing you there.

Seniors: SAT scores should be available on your College Board accounts on November 24th. If you do not remember your password, you will need to contact the College Board to have it reset. Contact me if there are questions

If you would like to schedule a time to talk, there is a new button on your student homepage that you can use to schedule a time to meet with me. We can meet in person or on Google meets.

In Closing

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Byron Center Charter School, I wish each of you and the members of your family a Happy Thanksgiving. While there are many reasons for concern these days, there are an abundance of reasons to be thankful....I share this poem....Happy Thanksgiving.

With Care,

Mark R. Kasmer
Your Principal



for each new morning
with its light
for rest and shelter
of the night
for health and food
for friends and love
For Everything
thy goodness sends

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