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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I hope this letter finds everyone doing well. I want to take a moment to inform you of Norwayne Local Schools Plan for the 2021-22 school year. Our plan is based on current guidelines and mandates.

We strongly believe the traditional format is the best educational learning model for most students. We will continue to work to decrease the likelihood of infection through additional hygiene, air quality, sanitizing, and safety procedures which were put into effect last year. We continue to provide students with masks and hand sanitizer. However, please understand being in a public place has a certain level of risk that cannot be eliminated.

To help further support our education and safety goals we have allocated funding to institute several additional services. Prior to the start of school we offered summer schooling for our K-6 students and will do that again at the end of the 21-22 school year. An extra bus route was added to alleviate the number of students on buses. Enough laptops were purchased for every student to have one and if needed the district can provide internet services at home. Additional staff have been hired, particularly at the K-2 level, to support students who may have fallen behind. We purchased and are utilizing assessment testing to help monitor student progress, and we have purchased an online curriculum called Edgenuity to help with quarantined/online students.

The education and safety of our students and staff is our top priority and it is important to note the following:

School procedures:

- The wearing of masks will be optional for all students and staff while in the buildings.

Norwayne Schools will operate using the following protocols for illness:

- **Medically confirmed** positive COVID cases will need to quarantine for 10 days from the onset of symptoms. After 3-5 days have passed, this self-quarantine can be reduced to 7 days if the individual provides a negative COVID test result during their self-quarantine.
- We will contact trace and notify families if their student was in close proximity to any **confirmed** COVID case. We would ask parents to monitor their child for 14 days. If they show any symptoms they should quarantine for 10 days.
- Students who are exposed to positive cases at home will also need to follow the **Mask to Stay** guidelines.
- Any student with a fever of 100°f or above should not come to school for 48 hours.

Bus procedures:

At the beginning of the school year, the district sent out an alert announcing that students must wear a mask while boarding, riding, and departing from the bus.

- If students do not have a mask the bus drivers will provide one for them.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact each building administrator, transportation supervisor, or superintendent.

We appreciate your support and we will keep you informed should any changes occur.

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