



THOMPSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Thompson Families,

I am writing to provide you all with some COVID-19 related updates as you plan for the upcoming spring break, April 19th through April 23, 2021.

Out-of-State Travel:

As a reminder, if your family travels out-of-state for a period of time longer than twenty-four hours, you must adhere to the following procedure:

1. Your child may return to school with the results of a negative COVID-19 test. The district will accept the results from a rapid test which can be obtained at a variety of pharmacies or state testing sites in the region.

Exposure to COVID-19 and Quarantine:

The district is reducing the number of days students, faculty, and staff must quarantine due to a COVID-19 exposure from fourteen (14) days to ten (10) days. If your child is a direct contact to a COVID-19 exposure while at school, our school nurses will contact you to inform you of the exposure and your child's return to school date.

In the event that your child is exposed outside of school, we ask that you keep your child from school and contact your child's school nurse. You will be given a return to school date following the quarantine period. Our school nurses are well informed regarding the virus and can answer any questions you may have. Our school nurses can be reached directly at:

MRFES	Candice Zamagni	860-923-9142 ext. 570
TMS	Ashley Gendreau	860-923-9380 ext. 571
TMHS	Shannon Grauer	860-923-9303 ext. 566

Mitigation Strategies:

The district continues to adhere to the mitigation strategies we have been implementing all year. Thanks to everyone's efforts, the strategies allowed schools to be open most of the year.

- Face masks that cover the mouth and nose
- Social distancing 6 feet apart, where feasible
- Frequent hand washing
- Staying home when a student is sick

I wish everyone a safe and happy spring break!

Sincerely,

Melinda A. Smith, M.Ed.
Superintendent of Schools