

SOUTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear South Brunswick Parents/Guardians,

I believe there is no question that the pandemic has had an impact on all. Educators, parents and students were all hoping for a move back to normalcy in our schools. Unfortunately, that has not exactly been the case.

I find myself writing this note today due to the extreme negative behavior we have seen from a small minority of parents upset with either the travel quarantine rules or some other aspect related to the pandemic. I am embarrassed to have to write this note, but I must say that this type of extreme and hostile verbal abuse will not be tolerated by any of our staff. I have directed all school personnel to try to manage such behavior calmly, but as soon as it is clear that the behavior is abusive or harassing to end the call and report the parent directly to me. I kindly and respectfully ask for you not to direct that anger or frustration at school staff. Each of them is doing their best to manage the incredible difficulties of operating schools in the midst of a pandemic. Our staff does not deserve this and you have no right to act in this manner. Further, if you are called to pick your child up from school, please do so immediately.

WE KNOW THAT ONE CHALLENGING AREA IS THE TRAVEL QUARANTINE FOR UNVACCINATED STUDENTS. HERE IS AN UPDATE AND CLARIFICATION ON THE TRAVEL QUARANTINE THAT IS STILL IN PLACE FOR UNVACCINATED TRAVELERS.

PREVIOUS GUIDELINE

****Domestic**** Travel **Unvaccinated** - Self-quarantine for 10 days after travel prior to returning to school as long as symptom free. Eligible for Quarantine Instruction during this time.

CHANGE TO: EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 8, 2021

****Domestic**** Travel **Unvaccinated** - Self-quarantine for 7 days after return from travel as long as your child receives a negative Covid test. The earliest a student can return after domestic travel is 7 days. Optimal testing should take place 3-5 days after return from travel. Parents are expected to manage this covid testing on their own and **you DO NOT need to submit this proof.** Parents are on the honor system to have this testing done. If a parent prefers not to have their child Covid tested upon return, your child will need to stay out of school for 10-days after return from travel. Please make sure to communicate with the school so they are aware of your child's travel. Students remain eligible for Quarantine Instruction during this time.

As an aside, if you choose to not inform the school of your child's travel and it is found that you did in fact travel and elected to not quarantine your child, there may be further consequences for putting others at unnecessary risk. Here is a link to the most current [FAQ](#) that outlines all of this clearly.

With Gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'S' followed by a horizontal line.

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