



Windham School District

School Administrative Unit 95

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As of today, December 10, 2021, our district has a total of eighty-five (85) positive COVID-19 cases. There are thirty-seven (37) positive cases at Golden Brook School, nineteen (19) positive cases at Windham Center School, eight (8) positive cases at Windham Middle School, and twenty-one (21) positive cases at Windham High School. We continue to see an uptick in positive cases being reported at each school which has caused Golden Brook School and Windham Center School to extend the universal indoor mask mandates for an additional ten consecutive days as of 12/9/21, and Windham High School to implement a targeted indoor mask mandate as of 12/8/21.

The rapid and ongoing increase of COVID-19 cases within our schools and community became a heavily discussed topic at this week's School Board meeting. The board discussed implementing additional mitigation tactics during this time in order to keep our students and staff safe and to keep the community updated with the COVID-19 activity in the schools. The following items were discussed and approved to be implemented:

- **Daily COVID-19 Case Counts:** The Windham School Board requested that the district provide daily COVID-19 case counts for each school. The numbers will be available by 5 pm each day, please visit our site: <https://bit.ly/3ITYwbc> to view the counts.
- **Mask Mandate (PK-12):** As we have seen a growth in positive cases presented after the Thanksgiving break, we anticipate similar growth in cases after the Winter Break. As a preventative measure, the Windham School Board proactively voted to **mandate the use of indoor masks for all staff and students (PK-12) from January 3-12. This will include all afterschool school-sponsored events and activities.** After this time period, the district will continue to refer to the indoor mask matrix when determining which layers of mitigation to implement.

The Windham School District will be hosting the second dose of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine on **Monday, December 13th** at the Windham High School gymnasium. The available appointments will only be open to



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students who participated in our first dose clinic last month. If you were not able to secure an appointment for our first clinic, you can contact your child's pediatrician directly or visit www.vaccines.gov to find a location providing COVID-19 vaccines near you. Masks will be required during the event and a parent/guardian must be present.

As a reminder, if your child is experiencing **any symptoms**, please keep them home and seek testing. If your child tests positive for COVID-19 from an at-home or rapid test they should not attend school and these results should be considered an accurate representation of a positive test result.

We understand that this has been a trying and stressful time for everyone. The goal of the district continues to focus on maintaining a safe and healthy environment for our students and staff. We appreciate the ongoing support of our community while we navigate these challenging times.

Thank you,

Richard Langlois
Superintendent of Schools