

# *River Dell Regional School District*

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Dear River Dell Community:

This is a reminder that River Dell will reopen for in-person instruction tomorrow, January 19, 2022. As previously explained, the NJ Department of Health updated its guidance regarding quarantine timelines that aligns more closely with the CDC. Please use this link [Guidelines \(riverdell.org\)](http://Guidelines.riverdell.org) to the reference chart for clarity when considering the revised quarantine timelines. I am hopeful that we are beginning to shift from “pandemic” thinking to “endemic” thinking. In other words, we are beginning to learn how to live with this virus.

Since the holiday break and including this remote period, we are seeing a significant drop in reported positive cases. This development as well as the continuing improvements to our ventilation systems will provide a safer experience for students and staff.

These are positive steps for the community. However, we must remain diligent as we continue to navigate the impact of the public health crisis caused by COVID-19. Masks must still be worn in the buildings. You must still report to your school nurse and building principal if a student or a family member tests positive or is a close contact so that you may receive appropriate guidance. However, the simplest and most effective way to keep everyone safe is to stay home if you feel sick. Do not return to school until fever free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications.

Thank you for helping us keep our children safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "PJF", written over a horizontal line.

Patrick J. Fletcher  
Superintendent of Schools

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