

March 31, 2021

Dear Norse Nation:

This message is being sent to wish everyone well over break and to provide a few important updates as we move into spring break.

COVID Case Update

Case counts within our district and community have increased over the last few days. Thank you to the families that have continued to stay in contact with us relative to our familys' health.

Current Post Break Plan

We plan to be back to our in-person learning model (4 days in-person and Wednesday remote) for all grade levels after Spring Break. That said, this is completely dependent on our school community's health data. We will send out a communication if the need for Remote Learning is present. Our behaviors over break are critical to our return to in-person learning.

COVID Case Reporting During Break and Upon Return from Travel

During breaks and vacations, we rely on parents to report positive cases and close contacts. It is crucial that you keep us informed so that we can evaluate and understand the health of students within the district and plan for a return to learning post-break. Please email Kristie Hall at <u>khall@nmps.net</u> in the event that your child is a positive case or close contact. Include in the email your child's name, grade, the date she/he received a positive test result, and/or was last in contact with a confirmed positive person. Receiving this information in a timely fashion gives us the best opportunity to plan. We are dependent on our school community for full communication.

Self-Quarantine Upon Return (recommended by CDC) and Antigen Screening Site

As a reminder, the CDC recommends a viral test and self-quarantine after travel. NMPS will work with all students who self-quarantine to provide as seamless a learning experience as possible. The full CDC guidelines and recommendations can be

accessed <u>HERE</u>. In addition, we just got word that the MDHHS will be hosting a county antigen screening site on Sunday, April 11th with a tentative site of Muskegon Community College Main Campus and a timeline of 11am - 6pm. As of this communication being sent to you, details are being finalized. Please watch the media for finalized plans to be shared with our community.

Please have a peaceful, fun, relaxing and SAFE Spring Break!

Dr. Curt Babcock Superintendent