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Dear BCSD Community,

We will continue to share information with the school community and we will continue to post any notifications of positive cases of Covid-19 that we receive on the New York State Report Card as we did throughout the past school year. While we are hopeful that we will continue to have fewer cases, especially as more and more of our community members get vaccinated, the fear of the Delta variant and breakthrough cases are still very concerning.

When we receive notification of a positive case we work closely, as we have in the past, with the Westchester County Department of Health (WCDOH). Thankfully, there are new guidelines regarding quarantine and we are hopeful that when we receive notification of a positive case that the number for those who have to quarantine will be minimal.

We will share information of positive cases requiring a quarantine even if that number is very small. We received notification of the following positive cases in our district over the last three days that could require some students and/or staff to quarantine:

- Fox Lane High School - two students
- Mount Kisco Elementary School - staff member
- Bedford Hills Elementary School - staff member

All of those impacted have already been notified with all necessary dates and information and will receive additional contact from NYS contact tracers.

Although not required to quarantine, students and staff who were in close proximity to an individual who tested positive may receive a “wellness” call from NYS contact tracers.

We will continue to adhere to all appropriate safety measures (social distancing, wearing of masks, frequent hand washing, proper ventilation, enhanced cleaning protocols). We will continue to participate in a Covid-19 testing program with the WCDOH. Please, if your child experiences any Covid-like symptoms, keep your child home, contact your medical provider, and get your child tested.

Thank you to the many BCSD families who submitted consent forms to participate in Covid-19 testing. We have received requests to reopen our Operoo electronic form system to allow families who missed the Friday cut-off. Please, if you have not already done so and intend to provide consent, submit your electronic consent by Wednesday afternoon. You should have received an email last week with a link to access Operoo. If you need assistance please send an email to parenttechsupport@bcdny.org.

Sincerely,

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