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Dear Parents/Guardians and Staff:

As we prepare for the upcoming school year I wanted to share with you an update in regards to COVID-19 related public health measures and the opening of the 2021-2022 school year. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) updated its guidelines for schools on July 9th. Here is a link to the CDC's website: [CDC's Guidance for K-12 Schools](#).

The New York State Education Department and the local Department of Health have urged school districts not only to follow the CDC recommendations but also the recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Here is a link to their website: [American Academy of Pediatrics Updates Recommendations for Opening Schools in Fall 2021](#).

Following both the CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics, the goal of the Fabius-Pompey is to return to full-time, in-person instruction, for all of our students, for the entire school year. As a District, we believe this is the best educational setting not only for our students but for our staff as well. Under current guidance, masks will likely be worn by all students and staff regardless of vaccination status and three-foot social distancing will be in place, individual building guidance will be forthcoming by building administration. As guidance is updated, Fabius-Pompey will adjust its guidelines to stay in accordance with the CDC, the American Academy of Pediatrics and the local Department of Health.

The District understands the emotional and mental stress our community is going through during this unprecedented time due to all of the uncertainty of the pandemic. As a District we will continue to monitor the New York State Education Department's, CDC's, American Academy of Pediatrics' and local Department of Health's recommendations in regards to the changing guidelines and make the necessary adjustments while keeping the community up to date in the process.

Stay safe and strong,

Lloyd L. Peck, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Schools