Dear Parents and Students:

As we approach the final two weeks of the semester, please be mindful of these opportunities to help students finish the semester successfully.

1. **Our Hybrid learning scenario will be available from December 7 through December 17.** Please check your school calendar to confirm your team’s schedule, which is found [here](#). Due to the recent surge in COVID-19 cases, District 211 may not be at full capacity on a daily basis for faculty or substitutes. Therefore, some classes may not be meeting in their previously assigned classrooms. If that is the case, students arriving at their classroom will be directed to a designated study area so they can connect to their class via *Zoom*. Specific classroom assignments may change from day-to-day based on personnel availability. There are no changes to how students connect remotely to class via *Zoom* and the alternating A/B day schedule and bell schedule remain consistent.

2. Students should use the academic support time in the afternoon to get help with assignments and connect with teachers and school counselors to ensure first semester assignments are completed before winter break. These opportunities can be found [here](#).

3. Students who attend school in-person can receive free breakfast and lunch. Curbside meal pick-up remains available every Thursday afternoon for all students at no cost. Additional information is available [here](#).

4. Any student who is planning on physically coming onto a school campus for any reason prior to winter break will need to complete the online Daily Wellness Screening Survey each day. The Daily Wellness Screening Survey, sent to the student’s District email, helps minimize the risk of exposure to everyone at school while helping the District identify health trends that require the involvement of the Cook County Department of Public Health. *The screening identifies students who are exhibiting symptoms consistent with COVID-19 infection or who have traveled out-of-state over the past 2 weeks. Students who do not pass the screening must not come to school and should connect to classes remotely.* A full description of the Daily Wellness Screening Survey is available on the District 211 website [here](#).
5. Illinois High School Association (IHSA) winter sports remain on an adaptive pause as initiated by the IHSA, the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE), and the State of Illinois. When information is available, District 211 will communicate directly with our winter student-athletes.

The District 211 COVID-19 Dashboard, detailing specific information by school, is available here. Your school nurse is a resource who can explain details of the Daily Wellness Screening procedure or other matters related to COVID-19 in our schools.

The health and safety protocols followed by students and staff in District 211 schools continue to match the latest guidance from State and local health agencies including cleaning and disinfecting protocols, wearing masks properly, remaining six feet away from other individuals, washing/sanitizing hands frequently, and not coming to school when ill.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we work through the end of this semester and the start of the new year. Prior to winter break, there will be an additional communication regarding the plan for the start of second semester in January.

Sincerely,

Lisa Small
Superintendent

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