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Dear CCUSD families,

We have had a great start to the 2021-2022 school year! Seeing students on campus and the teaching and learning reminds us of why we love our chosen career. We wish everyone a restful weekend as we get ready for our first full week of classes. We wanted to take the time to share a few important reminders:

### **COVID-19**

Parents/guardians, please check your child for any symptoms as listed below that would prevent them from attending/remaining at school:

- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, muscle aches, sore throat, headache, fatigue, congestion or runny nose, cough, vomiting or diarrhea, new loss of taste or smell, and a fever of 100.4 or above

If your child is experiencing any of these symptoms, please keep them home. This does not mean that they have COVID-19 if they have any symptoms, but it is best practice to keep your children home when they are sick. Please do not send your child to school if you are awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test.

Right now there is a lot of confusion over the conflicting direction schools are receiving from various national, state and local agencies on handling different aspects of COVID. It is important that the community understand that the decision of whether or not schools should require face coverings or COVID vaccinations is no longer at the school or district level. With the passage of the recent Arizona state budget, schools are not permitted to require face coverings or COVID vaccinations by law.

It is recommended that masks be worn in schools currently by the CDC and the Maricopa County Department of Public Health. We recommend and encourage families in CCUSD to discuss this with their children and make the best decision for them. Although face coverings are strongly encouraged, all students, staff and individuals have the option to wear face coverings. It is also highly recommended that those who are eligible carefully consider and are vaccinated against COVID-19. We will continue to make available opportunities for the vaccination, especially as the eligible age continues to lower. Up-to-date information from the Maricopa County Department of Public Health can be found [here](#).

### **Other Reminder(s):**

- Please make sure that you have completed your “annual update”. This means you have gone into the Infinite Campus Parent Portal and ensured that your information is current and accurate. Even if your information has not changed, please go to the parent portal and confirm every year. This will ensure you receive appropriate emergency and non-emergency communication. If you have any questions or need help updating your information, please contact our technology department helpdesk at 480-575-2066 or [helpdesk@ccusd93.net](mailto:helpdesk@ccusd93.net)
- Please be patient, safe, and respectful when dropping off or picking up your child by following all appropriate laws and school procedures. There is nothing more important than our students arriving and leaving school safely.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

One Team

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