August 13, 2020

Dear Muncy Family,

I hope this letter finds you and your family in good health.

We look forward to working with everyone during the 2020-2021 school year to provide continuous learning opportunities for all of our students. By working together and everyone doing their part we can all help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in our schools and our community.

Earlier this week, the PA Department of Health (DOH) and PA Department of Education (PDE) issued additional guidance and recommendations for the reopening of schools. Additionally, DOH and PDE have developed a COVID-19 Early Warning Monitoring System Dashboard for public review. The dashboard is based on the following two standard public health metrics: (a) incidence rate and (b) percent positivity. The Board will discuss the impact, if any, the latest guidance might have on the district’s reopening plans at our Monday, August 17th board meeting.

Due to the Governor’s Order limiting indoor gatherings to 25 total individuals or less and having additional administrators available to answer questions, we anticipate only having the capacity to allow approximately five (5) members from the public into Monday’s meeting.

Individuals who would like to listen to the entire meeting and/or participate in the public input portion at the beginning of the meeting may register using the Zoom Webinar Registration Link (https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_0HAKBHJUTcWdUekb5Ke3Dg). During registration you will be asked for your first name, last name and e-mail address. You will be asked to enter your e-mail address twice for confirmation purposes. Once your registration is completed, you will be e-mailed directions on how to join the meeting through your device of preference or by phone. Individuals interested in providing public input only may e-mail public input to Linda Kneedler atlkneedler@muncysd.org by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, August 17th.

Please note the following revised schedule for Chromebook distribution. Please be sure to wear a mask or other appropriate face covering.

**Ward L. Myers Elementary School Pickup**

1. **Elementary In-Person Instruction with Muncy Teachers (Option #1)** – Chromebooks will be distributed during the first day of school. Students will initially keep Chromebooks at school while teachers work with students on using the Chromebooks for their classes.
2. **Elementary Distance Learning with Muncy Teachers (Option #2)** – Chromebooks, textbooks and other distance learning materials will be distributed near the elementary gym exit doors (accessible from Swimming Pool Drive) on any of the following dates or times:
   
   a. Monday, August 24th – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
   b. Tuesday, August 25th – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
   c. Wednesday, August 26th – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
   d. Thursday, August 27th – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

   Parents must pick up the device for the student and have completed the Muncy School District Technology Agreement. If necessary, parents can complete Muncy School District’s Technology Agreement when picking up the device. Parents must present photo identification at the time of pick up.

3. **Elementary EQUIP Distance Learning Students (Option #3)** – We are currently enrolling students into EQUIP this week. Once we complete the enrollment process, EQUIP will let us know dates and times for device pickup.

**Muncy Jr. / Sr. High School Pickup** – Item pick up will be at the high school gym in the existing high school, not the new addition.

1. **High School In-Person Instruction with Muncy Teachers (Option #1)** – Chromebooks will be distributed at the high school on any of the following dates and times:
   
   a. Monday, August 24th – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
   b. Tuesday, August 25th – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
   c. Wednesday, August 26th – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. / 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
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Please use the link below to request alternate busing needed on a long-term basis from Susquehanna Transit.

[https://www.muncysd.org/cms/lib/PA06000076/Centricity/Domain/310/Alternate%20Transportation%20Daycare%20Request%20Fillable%20Form.pdf](https://www.muncysd.org/cms/lib/PA06000076/Centricity/Domain/310/Alternate%20Transportation%20Daycare%20Request%20Fillable%20Form.pdf)

This form can be used to request an AM alternate stop only, PM alternate stop only, or both AM and PM alternate stops. Sufficient time is needed for driver notification and implementation. The requested stop must be on an established route in the Muncy School District. This form must be resubmitted each year.

If interested in participating in the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP), please visit [www.CHIPcoversPAkids.com](http://www.CHIPcoversPAkids.com). CHIP covers uninsured children and teens up to 19. CHIP provides quality, comprehensive health insurance for routine doctor visits, prescriptions, dental, eye care, eyeglasses, mental health, and much more. For most families, CHIP is free – for others its low cost.

Reinforcing universal precautions both at school and at home will also help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in our schools and our community. The Center for Disease Control’s (CDC) guidance on [How to Protect Yourself and Others](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/preparation.html) is a good resource to reference for helping to reinforce these strategies. Additionally, if you find it helpful please use the [Washing Your Hands Link](https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/index.html) or [CDC’s YouTube Handwashing Video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gWm1rj20vOY) to access more information that is specific to washing your hands.

Please inform the school if you become sick with COVID-19 symptoms, test positive for COVID-19, are exposed to someone with COVID-19 symptoms or to someone with a confirmed or probable case of COVID-19 or if you traveled to areas recommended for self-quarantine so we can all work together to best meet the needs of our students and families.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or concerns by e-mailing or calling the individuals listed below. We will continue to work as quickly as possible to answer individual inquiries.

1. For district related questions and concerns, please contact Linda Kneedler at lkneedler@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 2040

2. For high school related questions and concerns, please contact Nicole Edwards at nedwards@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 3220
3. For elementary school related questions and concerns, please contact Vickie Conner at vconner@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 1100

4. For special education related questions and concerns, please contact Cheryl Good at cgood@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 1250

5. For food service related questions and concerns, please contact Tom Kuntz at tkuntz@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 1120

6. For athletic related questions and concerns, please contact Curt Chilson at cchilson@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 3630

7. For transportation related questions and concerns, please contact Kay Buck at kay@susquehannabus.com or 570-935-0542

8. For questions and concerns related to cleaning products or cleaning procedures, please contact Jerry Knier at jknier@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 3720

9. For questions and concerns related to technology, please contact Chris Frey at cfrey@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 7777

Stay Safe, Stay Healthy, Stay Strong!

Sincerely,

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