



# MUNCY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Muncy Family,

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

First, a friendly reminder that Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> is a distance learning day for all students (K-12). All LycoCTC students must log into their classes via Lyco CTC's Google classroom.

Second, if interested, please use the following link to register for viewing the December 14<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting. Please note the Board altered its public meeting schedule and changed the date of December's Regular Board Meeting to December 14<sup>th</sup> from December 21<sup>st</sup>.

The link to register for viewing the December 14<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting is:

[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_hBlkWnASSLWYDegOVU7zqQ](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hBlkWnASSLWYDegOVU7zqQ)

Third, I would like to provide you with a quick summary of changes approved by the Muncy School District Board of Directors at our December 7<sup>th</sup> Reorganization Meeting.

- **School Calendar for Muncy Jr. / Sr. High School** – The Board changed the instructional model at the high school from in-person instruction to distance learning for the dates listed below. Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup> will be the last scheduled day of in-person instruction at the high school prior to winter break. In-person instruction at the high school will resume on Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. All high school students should follow their regular class schedule and attend Zoom sessions to be hosted by their teachers on the dates listed below.
  - Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup>
  - Tuesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>
  - Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

\*\*Please note no changes were made to the school calendar for Ward L. Myers Elementary School. All of the dates listed above are in-person instruction days for Ward L. Myers Elementary School. \*\*

- **Case Threshold** – The Board increased the case threshold for temporarily transitioning from in-person instruction to distance learning from 3 cases to 4 cases. This change is effective immediately for Ward L. Myers Elementary School. This change is effective beginning when in-

person instruction resumes on Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup> for Muncy Jr. / Sr. High School. Please reference the updated instructional model matrix at the end of this letter.

- **Number of Days Out of Building** – If the case threshold of 4 cases is reached, the Board decreased the number of days to transition to distance learning from 5-7 days to 3-5 days. Please reference the updated instructional model matrix at the end of this letter.
- **Alignment to New CDC Quarantine Recommendations** – Now that the Pennsylvania Department of Health has allowed school districts to align their quarantine procedures to the new CDC quarantine recommendations, the District will begin to apply the new quarantine recommendations from the December 5<sup>th</sup> notification date moving forward. These new quarantine recommendations also apply to the Secretary’s current travel order.
  1. Quarantine can end after Day 10 without testing if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring.
  2. When testing resources are sufficient, quarantine can end after day 7 if a diagnostic specimen (e.g., RT-PCR, antigen) tests negative and is collected on day 5 or thereafter and the person remains asymptomatic. Quarantine may not be further shortened beyond the end of day 7.
  3. For household contacts to a positive case: quarantine can end after Day 20 without testing if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring.
  4. For household contacts to a positive case: When testing resources are sufficient, quarantine can end after day 17 if a diagnostic specimen (e.g., RT-PCR, antigen) tests negative and is collected on day 15 or thereafter and the person remains asymptomatic. Quarantine may not be further shortened beyond the end of day 17.

We will continue to provide timely updates to our Health and Safety Plan as a result of new guidance or by Board action. We hope all of our students, families and staff impacted by COVID-19 have a quick recovery.

The continuity of our educational environment involves every individual working together to practice universal precautions as follows:

- **If sick, please stay home.** Please use the updated [symptom-screening tool](#) prior to having your child(ren) ride the school bus or attend school in the morning. Immediately seek medical advice/attention if one has symptoms of COVID-19.
- **Practice good hand hygiene** by regularly washing your hands, using hand sanitizer when unable to wash your hands and avoid touching your face and eyes.
- **To the maximum extent possible, maintain a physical or social distance from others.** If possible, try to maintain a physical or social distance of at least six (6) feet from others. If not possible, maintain as much physical or social distance as possible based on the circumstances.
- **Wear face coverings at all times with [limited exceptions](#),** even when able to keep six feet apart. All face coverings need to cover both the mouth and the nose. Face coverings should be worn by all individuals at all times while on school property.

As always, please e-mail us or give us a call if you have any questions or concerns. We will continue to work as quickly as possible to answer individual inquiries.

1. For school health related question and concerns, please contact Jay Drumheller at [jdrumheller@muncysd.org](mailto:jdrumheller@muncysd.org) or 570-546-3125 ext. 1160.
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7. For athletic related questions and concerns, please contact Curt Chilson at [cchilson@muncysd.org](mailto:cchilson@muncysd.org) or 570-546-3125 ext. 3630
8. For transportation related questions and concerns, please contact Kay Buck at [kay@susquehannabus.com](mailto:kay@susquehannabus.com) or 570-935-0542
9. For questions and concerns related to cleaning products or cleaning procedures, please contact Jerry Knier at [jknier@muncysd.org](mailto:jknier@muncysd.org) or 570-546-3125 ext. 3720
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Stay Safe, Stay Healthy, Stay Strong!

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## Updated Instructional Model Matrix

<u>Level of Community Transmission in the County</u>	<u>Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a Rolling 14-Day Period:</u> 1-3 students/staff	<u>Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a Rolling 14-Day Period:</u> 4 students/staff in same school building	<u>Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a Rolling 14-Day Period:</u> 5+ students/staff in same school building
<b>Low</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue In-Person Instruction or other selected option (ex. Distance Learning, Homeschooling).</li> <li>Continue In-Person athletics and extracurriculars</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Distance Learning for 3-5 days for all students before returning to In-Person instruction.**</li> <li>Postpone athletics and extracurriculars for at least 3 days.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Distance Learning for 14 days for all students before returning to In-person instruction.**</li> <li>Postpone athletics and extracurriculars until In-Person instruction resumes.</li> </ul>
<b>Moderate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue In-Person Instruction or other selected option (ex. Distance Learning, Homeschooling).</li> <li>Continue In-Person athletics and extracurriculars</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Distance Learning for 3-5 days for all students before returning to In-Person instruction.**</li> <li>Postpone athletics and extracurriculars for at least 3 days.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Distance Learning for 14 days for all students before returning to In-Person instruction.**</li> <li>Postpone athletics and extracurriculars until In-Person instruction resumes.</li> </ul>
<b>Substantial†</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue In-Person Instruction or other selected option (ex. Distance Learning, Homeschooling).</li> <li>Continue In-Person athletics and extracurriculars</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Distance Learning for 3-5 days for all students before returning to In-Person instruction.**</li> <li>Postpone athletics and extracurriculars for at least 3 days.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Distance Learning for 14 days for all students before returning to In-Person instruction.**</li> <li>Postpone athletics and extracurriculars until In-Person instruction resumes.</li> </ul>

\*\* The rolling 14-day period resets upon return to in-person instruction from distance learning.

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