

BOLTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

December 2, 2021

Dear Staff and Families,

I hope you had an opportunity to enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday. Below please find some important updates.

Listing of Vaccine Providers for Children Ages 5 to 11

The Eastern Highlands Health District has asked that school districts share the attached listing of vaccine providers in the region administering the COVID-19 vaccine for kids age 5 to 11 ~ [CSDE Professional Support Series 28.pdf](#).

Staying in School Safely During COVID-19: An Evening with CT Medical Experts for Parents and Families

The Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE), together with Connecticut Children's and the Connecticut Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, is hosting a webinar on **December 16, 2021, from 5-6 p.m.** to share the latest medical information for keeping students safe, healthy, and in school during the winter months. Please see the attached flyer ~ [Kids 5-11 Covid Vaccination Providers Flyer - Updated Nov 30.pdf](#). This session will be recorded and posted online with closed captioning in English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Arabic. Everyone registered will receive a notice when it is posted.

Staying Home When Sick

Staying home when feeling sick with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 is essential to keep COVID-19 infections out of our schools and prevent the spread to others. **Students, teachers, and staff who have symptoms of a potentially infectious illness, such as influenza (flu) or COVID-19, should stay home** and be referred to their healthcare provider for diagnostic testing and care. If a child becomes sick at school with COVID-19 type symptoms, the child will be immediately sent home with instructions about next steps from the nurse.

Winter Break

Thursday, December 23rd is a half day for students and staff. Winter break will run from Friday, December 24, 2021 through Sunday, January 2, 2022. Students and staff return to school on Monday, January 3, 2022.

Stay safe and be well,

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