

Updates to BJP's Reopening Plan (Covid Email #16)

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Hello BJP Community,

I hope all continue to be safe.

Below is a chart that outlines the additions and changes that have been made to BJP's Reopening Plan. The entire plan can be found [here](#). These additions and changes were made after review of new guidelines from the government and our experience operating the last three months.

As always, we welcome questions and feedback by either contacting the school or completing [this form](#) for easy collection and organization. All this is also available on [BJP's Coronavirus Updates](#) webpage.

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6	BJP will monitor cases city and statewide, following the State Department of Health's guidelines for when to move to online learning due to community spread.	<u>Kept Original and Added:</u> BJP will meet all requirements for New York State's Covid Cluster Initiative when in Red, Orange, or Yellow zones. Click here for the most current guidance issued on December 4th. These have replaced any percentage of community spread initiating school closures.	Originally, the governor and mayor set positive test rates of 5% and 3% respectively as a red line for community spread. As schools reopened, it has become clear that schools are not the main cause of spread and thus the guidance has moved away from such red lines. When community spread increases, a renewed focus on testing in schools ensures that schools can stay open while determining if the spread is affecting the school community. If so, then the school will quarantine or close according to its plan.
6	BJP will work in conjunction with NYC's Testing and Tracing Corps., reporting positive cases. BJP will follow the NYC DOE's chart of confirmed cases and numbers/exposure to others to determine when a class	<u>Kept Original and Added:</u> In addition to state requirements to test when within the boundaries of a Covid Cluster map, BJP will partner with myOnsite Healthcare or other partner laboratories to conduct testing at school in order to	Clarifies when BJP has to test, when BJP may choose to test outside of government requirements, and how/who will be tested whether at school or on their own if randomly selected.

	will move to online learning and when the whole school will move to online learning.	inform policy and safety procedures. The Covid Coordinating Committee will decide when to initiate testing outside of city and state mandates and inform the community of testing dates. A random, computer generated list of individuals present in-person will be created each testing period. Families/staff that wish to participate in testing at school will sign a consent form. If not wanting to be tested at school, families/staff will be asked to complete testing requirements on their own the week their child's name is generated. Written consent to test or to withdraw from testing is always needed.	
7	BJP will create an emergency cleaning checklist for areas that may be exposed to Covid and students will be moved to an empty classroom that will be fully ready for use should a hygiene concern come up in their normal room. When possible, the room of concern will sit empty for 24 hours before cleaning.	<u>Kept Original and Added:</u> Upon a confirmed case in the building, a day of cleaning and disinfecting will be conducted to ensure that the school building is a safe environment for all. If this happens during a weekday, the school will cancel classes for one day, sending all students home, to ensure proper cleaning and disinfecting.	While there is a difference between a confirmed case in our community and a confirmed case actually in the building, such a procedure allows for the utmost safety for all.
8	When social distance can not be maintained, masks are required.	<u>Replaced With:</u> Masks must be worn at all times as outlined in the Health and Safety section (bottom of page 5 and top of page 6).	The original line may have caused confusion. Masks are always required, which has been the practice since the beginning.
9	It will be encouraged to open windows when weather conditions allow.	<u>Replaced With:</u> Windows will be opened in all rooms that have people to allow for air	Promoting air flow is not encouraged but mandated in all rooms that have

		circulation. When weather turns colder, the AC units have a heating function to supplement the building's steam heat.	people. This has been in practice all year.
16	The process to hire a new SETSS provider and speech therapist for the 2020-2021 school year is currently underway.	<u>Replaced With:</u> A SETSS tutor has been provided through Knowledge Road to complete the majority of students' IESP hours while in school and more individual tutoring virtually on the weekends and over school breaks. A speech pathologist has been provided through Legendary Therapy to complete all hours in-person while students are in the building.	Hiring was completed at the end of October.



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