



BETHEL PARK

SCHOOL DISTRICT

December 23, 2021

Dear Bethel Park Families,

Re: Positive COVID-19 cases reported at BPHS

Today, three students and a staff member at Bethel Park High School reported testing positive for COVID-19. They were most recently in school, Dec. 22.

Bethel Park School District's health and safety protocols mandate that the individuals will remain isolated at home until their symptoms have abated and they have been cleared by a medical professional as being no longer contagious.

If your child tests positive for COVID-19, please notify your child's school nurse as soon as possible. Also, if your child is demonstrating any symptoms commonly associated with COVID-19 (fever, headache, muscle or body aches, congestion, loss of taste or smell, etc.), please play it safe and keep them home from school.

During the winter break, **please report any positive COVID-19 cases to BPSD's dedicated email address, covidquestions@bphawks.org**. Please include your child's name, grade, school, and last day in school. Someone from the district will get back to you with specific directions on the next steps your family should take.

Finally, when school resumes, Bethel Park School District will **continue to require universal masking for all individuals in our facilities and structures regardless of vaccination status, while Allegheny County remains at the high or substantial level of community transmission of the coronavirus, as [defined by the Allegheny County Health Department](#)**. Should the county's community spread levels dip to moderate or low for at least one week, masks would then become optional.

Sincerely,

James Walsh, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Bethel Park School District