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Dear Parents and Families:

This week has seen several changes at the state level regarding travel, masking, and remote instruction. There is, however, some nuance to how those changes can be put into effect at Kingsway Learning Center due to our designation as a school. Please see below for summaries of the current guidance from the state on each of these issues, and feel free to reach out if you have any questions at all.

Travel:

Despite the Governor's recent announcement lifting general travel restrictions, we anticipate that there will continue to be some additional guidelines for schools surrounding travel for unvaccinated people. As we have additional information, we will share it with you. If your family is planning to travel in the near future, please share this information with your team leader and teacher.

Masking:

Governor Murphy's executive order relative to lifting the ban on masking in outdoor spaces clearly states that it does not apply to schools. As such, existing recommendations and requirements regarding masking at Kingsway Learning Center will remain in effect at this time. The mandate does allow students, staff, and visitors who are outdoors to remove their masks under certain circumstances:

- When the individual is exposed to extreme heat outdoors
- When the individual is eating or drinking outdoors

Kingsway defines extreme heat as an outside temperature or heat index above 79 degrees. Masks still must be worn inside at Kingsway Learning Center with the exceptions of when staff members are in a room by themselves or when a documented medical condition or disability precludes the use of a face covering.

Remote instruction:

Based on the latest update from Governor Murphy, we will be able to continue to offer a fully-remote option for students who want it during our Extended School Year (ESY) program. If your student is choosing fully remote instruction for ESY, please share this information with your team leader by 3pm on Friday, May 21. Beyond the summer, we anticipate that our ability to offer fully remote programming will be on a very limited basis, if at all. We continue to await additional guidance from the DOE regarding the fall, and will share our plans in light of that guidance as soon as possible.

Please know that we appreciate your continued patience and persistence in light of the many changes and adjustments that this year has required from all of us. Please feel free to reach out with any questions or feedback.

Sincerely,

Rachel Chan

Chief Executive Officer