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Dear Holland Patent Learning Community:

As you are aware, the goal of the District is to safely return all students to full-time learning in all buildings. We have been able to accomplish this incrementally as the Oneida County COVID-19 numbers in our region have declined. In addition, we have been continuing to follow the protocols and procedures we have in place throughout the District in support of the New York State Department of Health guidelines. I am very excited to inform everyone that the Holland Patent Central School District will be welcoming all students back on Monday, April 12, 2021.

As we will be transitioning back to full, in-person learning, the following items need to be considered:

## Surveys for Instructional Choice

- Each building has sent surveys regarding instructional choice and transportation. It is essential to complete the surveys, as this information is vital in our planning for in-person instruction. For instructional choice, students must commit to in-person instruction or remote learning. Please understand that the selections made on the surveys will be for the remainder of the school year.

## Daily Screening

- All students attending in-person instruction **must complete the electronic daily screening located on our website each morning before coming to school.**

## Transportation

- All students utilizing District transportation will be required to use facemasks, as well as a face shield provided by the District.

We will continue to keep the safety of our students, staff and families as the top priority of our District as we follow the guidance from the New York State Department of Health. The goal from the beginning of the pandemic was to have all students back to school to attend full, in-person instruction. In order to accomplish this goal, the District and the Holland Patent Community must remain diligent in following all the health and safety practices adopted by our State and Local Health Departments from The Centers for Disease Prevention and Control. We appreciate the patience, dedication and flexibility our students, staff and community have provided during this trying and uncertain time. We will continue to move in the right direction by working together and staying safe.

Stay Safe,

Jason P. Evangelist  
Superintendent of Schools