



## Minersville Area School District

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The rising number of positive COVID-19 cases in Schuylkill County has moved the community transmission level to substantial. After much consideration and discussion with the DOH, PDE, our Pandemic Team, and Administration, it has been deemed necessary for our Junior Senior High School to return to the Hybrid Model Beginning on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> with the White Group only reporting on that day. The Blue Group will return the following Monday and Tuesday and the Hybrid Model rotation will proceed as it was to start the year. Our Elementary and Early Childhood Centers will remain 4 days per week due to classes being self-contained where teachers are switching classes rather than students. This means that the movement of our students is limited. The Hybrid Model will stay in effect until further notice.

Please know that the DOH and the PDE have recommended that schools at the level of "Substantial," should institute remote (virtual) learning. I must reiterate this is more of a broad stroke recommendation and not a mandate. Our goal is to have all of our students in school. We all must be diligent about abiding by all safety protocols not only while in school, but at all times. We appreciate what we have been seeing in our community with families taking precautions, but we still need your help to keep everyone safe as we attempt to continue in-person instruction. If children show any symptoms, they should stay home. We encourage you to take the time to conduct the health screening; it is vital to our efforts to remain in schools.

The Minersville Area School District is thankful for our community's cooperation in staying vigilant with these measures so that we all can remain as safe as possible.

Sincerely,

Carl G. McBreen, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools  
MINERSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT