

FENTON CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Fenton Schools Reopening on Tuesday, January 11, 2022

January 9, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Fenton Charter Public Schools are on track to reopen school on Tuesday, January 11, 2022. A safe reopening of our schools will require the support and teamwork of our entire community to ensure we are creating an environment for children to thrive amidst the current spike in COVID-19 cases. We have been in constant communication with state and local public health officials to ensure our schools are safe to reopen. The following are the components of our reopening plans.

Baseline Testing for All Students and Staff: All students and staff will be required to have a negative COVID-19 PCR or Antigen test between January 3 and January 10, 2022 before they are able to attend school. Fenton has offered PCR testing across all of our schools this week. In addition, Fenton is providing all students with an At-Home Rapid Antigen Test Kit that may be used for baseline testing.

At-Home Rapid Antigen Test Kits: Fenton is providing all students with an At-Home Rapid Antigen Test Kit that may be used for baseline testing. All Fenton staff members will participate in baseline testing and receive an At-Home Rapid Antigen Test to ensure they are not positive for COVID-19 when school resumes.

All Staff Have Been Fully Vaccinated: All Fenton staff and adults on campus have been fully vaccinated. The majority of our staff have received the booster shot as well. Individuals that have been vaccinated are much less likely to contract COVID-19 and/or develop serious complications from the virus.

Student Vaccinations: We encourage all of our students to receive the COVID-19 Vaccine. Fenton Primary Center held a Vaccination Clinic on Saturday, January 8, 2022.

Surgical/Medical Masks: All staff and students should wear a surgical/medical grade mask. Cloth masks should only be worn over a surgical/medical mask. The blue, black, and lavender masks Fenton has provided are acceptable. You may also wear N95 masks as well. One sign that a mask is not a real surgical mask is if you put a drop of water on the front of the mask and it soaks into the mask instead of forming beads on the surface. Cloth masks and non-surgical masks will absorb the water. LADPH has required masks outdoors as well as indoors at all schools.

We are living at a time of anxiety and stress experienced by people around the world. We take solace in knowing we have put in place extraordinary safety measures and have exemplary staff to ensure the well-being of our students and one another. Thank you for your support and resiliency as we tackle the challenges of pandemic.

Sincerely,

David Riddick, Ed.D. Chief Executive Officer Jason Gonzalez Chief Operating Officer

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