



ONEIDA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Families,

On behalf of the Oneida City School District, we hope that the start of the school year has gone well for our students and families. We continue to receive guidance from state agencies and we recognize that this raises questions about potential impacts on students, families and our full community. We are committed to communicating information as it becomes available.

COVID protocols

Last week, we shared that the district is working with Madison County Department of Health (MCDOH) and that there would be additional guidance coming in the next week or two regarding protocols for symptomatic staff and students.

The District will be changing the protocols for returning to school. The change is as follows:

- Students and staff members may return to school/ work after being symptomatic with a negative COVID-19 test or a written medical clearance to return to school.

Prior to this, the district required a negative COVID-19 test and a written medical clearance. The District will continue to work with MCDOH to refine our procedures and processes.

Thought Exchange

The District is looking for your feedback! We have just finished our 15th day of school and we are happy to have students back! We want to know what is working well with remote learning and hybrid learning and what are the biggest challenges you are seeing or experiencing with remote learning and hybrid learning.

Please use this link to participate in our Thoughtexchange: <https://my.thoughtexchange.com/961880296>
The exchange will remain open until October 8th and then we will post the results.

Stay home if sick

We are urging all of our families to have their children stay home if they are sick. If you keep them home, please contact your child's teacher or counselor to arrange for work to be provided for students who are absent.

Oneida City School District remains committed to open and transparent communications to support our students during this time. Our priority is the safety and education of all of our students. As always, thank you for your patience, understanding and flexibility.

Sincerely,

Mary-Margaret Zehr
Superintendent