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Dear Steger School District 194 Families, Staff, and Community,

On Friday, July 9, 2021, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued new guidance for school operations in regard to COVID-19. These guidelines were adopted by the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois State Board of Education. The guidance brings schools in line with Phase 5 guidance for Illinois and gives local school boards control of mitigation decisions.

On Monday, July 26, 2021, the Steger School District 194 Board of Education held a special board meeting and approved the plan for the 2021-2022 school year, which included vaccinated students and staff do not need to wear a mask, and for unvaccinated students and staff masks are recommended, but not required. Masks are still required for all public transportation, including school buses. This mask policy is effective July 26, 2021.

We will continue to monitor our other layered COVID-19 prevention measures of physical/social distancing, hand and respiratory hygiene, ventilation, cleaning and disinfecting, monitoring community transmission levels, local vaccine coverage, and other strategies. Should conditions change, we will continue to monitor the health of our students and staff and adjust accordingly if needed.

Sincerely,

Dr. David. T. Frusher
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Estimadas familias, personal y comunidad del Distrito Escolar Steger 194:

El viernes 9 de julio del 2021, los Centros para el Control y la Prevención de Enfermedades emitieron una nueva guía para las operaciones escolares con respecto al COVID-19. Estas pautas fueron adoptadas por el Departamento de Salud Pública de Illinois y la Junta de Educación del Estado de Illinois. La guía alinea a las escuelas con la guía de la Fase 5 para Illinois y otorga a las juntas escolares locales el control de las decisiones de mitigación.

El lunes 26 de julio del 2021, la Junta de Educación del Distrito Escolar Steger 194 celebró una reunión especial de la junta y aprobó el plan para el año escolar 2021-2022, que incluirá a los estudiantes y personal vacunados que no necesitan usar una máscara, y para los estudiantes y personal que no están vacunados se les recomienda usar máscaras, pero no son obligatorias. Aún se requieren máscaras para todo el transporte público, incluidos los autobuses escolares. Esta política de mascarillas entra en vigor el 26 de julio de 2021.

Continuaremos monitoreando nuestras otras medidas de prevención de COVID-19 en capacidad de distanciamiento físico / social, higiene respiratoria y de limpieza de manos, ventilación, limpieza y desinfección, monitoreo de los niveles de transmisión comunitaria, cobertura de vacuna local y otras estrategias. Si las condiciones cambian, continuaremos monitoreando la salud de nuestros estudiantes y personal y haremos los ajustes necesarios si es necesario.

Atentamente,

Dr. David. T. Frusher
Superintendente de Escuelas

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