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Colleagues,

Over the last two weeks the area superintendents have been working with each other, the Intermediate Unit, and Dr. David Damsker, Director of the Bucks County Health Department. This group has been developing a comprehensive Health and Safety Plan to guide our return to in-person work and instruction. The components of this plan will be based on guidance and direction from Dr. David Damsker, Director of the Bucks County Health Department, and Mr. Scott Forster, Director of Bucks County Emergency Services. Both Dr. Damsker and Mr. Forster have served as key consultants for the superintendents of our county, regularly participating in virtual meetings facilitated by the Bucks IU, since the onset of the pandemic. In his position as Director of the Bucks County Health Department, Dr. Damsker released guidance late yesterday evening for schools in Bucks County specific to our return to in-person instruction and work. The link below is Dr. Damsker's letter.

[http://www.buckscounty.org/docs/default-source/public-information/bucks-county-school-reopening-guidance.pdf?sfvrsn=ef2b08ef\\_2](http://www.buckscounty.org/docs/default-source/public-information/bucks-county-school-reopening-guidance.pdf?sfvrsn=ef2b08ef_2)

The press release to the letter is below.

<http://www.buckscounty.org/sitefinitypfxn/newreader/2020/06/16/bucks-officials-propose-guidelines-for-public-schools-to-reopen>

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) directed school entities to create a Health and Safety Plan in consultation with local health agencies; therefore, we will use Dr. Damsker's guidance to inform the development of our own Health and Safety Plans.

PDE may release additional guidance throughout the summer to help set expectations for the fall of 2020. As these guidelines are released, they may also influence and potentially change our school district planning efforts. Dr. Damsker advises that his guidance may change, too, based on new developments with the virus that may occur before we head back to school this fall. Should shifts in local or state guidance occur, we will reflect them in our plans. For now, as a reminder from last week, you can begin planning for what our return may look like: All CBSD team members should begin making arrangements for a return to in-person school and work activities for the 2020-2021 school year. While the course of the virus may change through the summer and influence the local and state guidance we are receiving, everyone should have a plan that allows them to return to work locations during traditional school hours. If for any reason you have specific concerns about your ability to return to work based upon any existing medical condition that you may have, please reach out to Human Resources now, so that options may be discussed.

There is time between today and the reopening of school in September so as stated above much can change moving forward. These resources are recommendations to help you as you develop our plans in the Central Bucks School District. We are hopeful of returning in the fall but as you are aware we are planning now for many possible reopening scenarios. No final decisions have been made for September which is the reason we are planning for many possible reopening formats.

Communication will be central to our success this fall; please check your email on a regular basis throughout the summer for updates. Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Garvin, Dr. Lucabaugh, Andrea Didio-Hauber, or my office.

Stay Well,

John

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