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Connecticut COVID-19 Response
Northeast District Department of Health
Free Priority Testing Sites

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Dear Staff and Parents,

Good evening. This is an updated report about the Brooklyn Public Schools. We have seen the highest number of COVID cases reported by students and staff in Brooklyn since this pandemic began. This has been the case across northeastern Connecticut. Since moving to remote learning on Sunday we have had three additional cases. All those who were impacted have been notified. We are seeing multiple family members contract the virus once one has been tested positive in a house. This can cause very prolonged quarantine periods for families and staff members.

It is critical that you continue to communicate with the school if your child is sick or tests positive for COVID-19. In order for us to flatten the curve in this area, we need to quarantine to reduce the spread of the virus. Please call the School Nurses: Please continue to reach out to the school if there are illnesses. Reach out to your doctor and COVID testing is available for free. School Nurses can be reached at: BES nurse's email or 860-774-4618. BMS nurse's email or 860-774-1498.

Food service: We will continue to offer meal distribution to families. We bundle food and put multiple servings in one serving container and try to make the meals easy to reheat. You do not need to sign up, please feel free to pick up 3 meals on Tuesdays and 4 meals on Fridays. Please stay in your cars and open the trunk for safe distribution. *If you need special arrangements to receive meals, feel free to contact Heather Plourde at hplourde@eastconn.org or call 860-455-1552.

Please note the resources listed at the top of this memo. They are helpful. COVID-19 Testing is offered at CVS and Generations. There is no cost at Generations in Danielson.

We will return to classes when we can safely do so and staff the classes. Please reach out to the administration if you have any questions or concerns. We have social workers available to assist you if needed.

This evening we will have the first of multiple budget workshops. You can find the meeting agenda and link to the Zoom webinar at this link. The meeting is from 6:00-8:00PM.

Sincerely, Patricia Buell

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