

## The Brooklyn Public Schools

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**[Connecticut COVID-19 Response](#)**  
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January 7, 2021

Dear Staff and Parents,

This is another update on positive COVID-19 cases and contacts. We have two new positive cases and four new contacts. We continue to follow all of the mitigation strategies in school. These cases and contacts have been quickly identified and have quarantined which has helped to avoid any spread in the schools. Thank you for your cooperation.

Beginning tomorrow we have to pivot two homerooms/tags at the middle school to remote learning due to staff shortages. Students in class today with Mrs. Salvas and Mrs. Laplante (Mrs. Hatzberger and Ms. Mackewicz's tag classes) will begin working remotely for the next six days of school, January 8, 2021-Friday, January 15, 2021. They will return to school on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, after Martin Luther King Day.

This is related to us not having enough staff to support in-person instruction in all of our 8th-grade classes tomorrow or next week. We will continue to communicate if there are any changes.

I am sorry for the inconvenience this will cause. Please have all students log into their assignments and follow the remote learning schedule.

Please continue to follow all of the mitigation strategies. This virus is very contagious. Please contact the school nurse or the Northeast District Department of Health if you have any questions. There are also multiple testing sites. The links at the top of the page will help.

**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](mailto:hplourde@eastconn.org) or call 860-455-1552.**

Sincerely,

Patricia Buell

**Mission:** The Brooklyn Schools will foster a drive for learning within each student to reach his/her greatest potential. To achieve this mission, the school will continually improve its educational programs and services to meet this community's expectations for a quality education for all.