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RE: Post Travel Guidelines (Reminder)

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have recently had a few parent inquiries regarding quarantine requirements for travel, as many of you are confirming travel plans for a much anticipated spring break. As per the District's 2/18/21 communication [Quarantine/Isolation Requirements and Common COVID-19 Scenarios](#), Scenario #6 regarding travel has not changed and is listed below. Therefore, please review the return to school travel guidelines for our students that was developed in consultation with the Florham Park Health Department for district students who will be traveling outside our immediate region (Connecticut, Delaware, New York or Pennsylvania.)

6	<p>Travel - <i>The NJDOH continues to strongly discourage all non-essential interstate travel at this time.</i></p> <p>Students travel out of state/country for more than 24 hours. Excluding NY, CT, PA</p>	<p>Student will quarantine for 14 days starting the day after arriving home and may return to in person learning on the 15th day</p> <p><i>*The Florham Park Health Department continues to recommend students quarantining for 14 days. Should this procedure change, the district will communicate to the community.</i></p>
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TRAVEL ONLY (NEW NJDOH Update 3/23/21) - As per the updated NJDOH travel recommendations just released today, March 23, 2021, it is now recommended by the NJDOH and our local health department that the district adhere to the following guidelines regarding travel for individuals who have already tested positive for COVID-19 and/or fully vaccinated and traveling outside of our immediate region (CT, DE, NY or PA):

- *Individuals who have already tested positive for COVID-19 AND/OR individuals that have been fully vaccinated are **NOT EXEMPT** from the travel quarantine due to the NJDOH's concern of, "travelers spreading variant virus strains from one areas to another." Therefore, upon their return, these individuals must also quarantine.*

I do understand the frustration that this may cause some, and I certainly hope these recommendations change, but the recommendations that we receive from the NJDOH and our local health department are fluid and we will always try to communicate this information to you as quickly and accurately as possible. Though we would have appreciated receiving this NJDOH update prior to making spring plans, that does not negate the fact that the update was provided today, March 23, 2021. All actions and protocols the District has taken regarding COVID-19 have been and will continue to be done in consultation with and following recommendations from our local health department. Please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's school nurse or principal with any additional questions or concerns. As always, thank you for your understanding and anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

Steven Caponegro

Dr. Steven Caponegro

cc: Mr. Thomas Cantisano, Florham Park Health Officer

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire." - William Butler Yeats