



# PENNCREST

EMPOWERING LIFE-LONG LEARNERS

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Dear PENNCREST Families:

From the onset of the COVID-19 school disruptions we have promised to provide frequent and direct communication to all of our students, families, staff and residents. This continues to be a top priority of the Board of School Directors and administration.

As you are aware, day care facilities, schools and universities across Pennsylvania and the United States continue to adapt and react to ever-changing guidance from state and national agencies. On Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, the Governor released the [Covid-19 Early Warning Monitoring System Dashboard](#). On Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> The PA Department of Education released a [new metric](#) to determine if and when schools should close and when schools should move between in-person, hybrid and virtual learning. This new model appears to have replaced the Red, Yellow and Green Phase system for public schools. Also on August 13<sup>th</sup>, the Board of School Directors approved our Health and Safety Plan as required by the PA Department of Education and in accordance with the PA Department of Health and Education's guidance and recommendations for [reopening schools](#). The PENNCREST Health and Safety Plan was disseminated in a variety of ways on Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. On Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, the PA Department of Education released new [face covering](#) guidance. This new guidance must be reflected in our Health and Safety Plan and re-approved at our next Board Meeting on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Over the past month, the PIAA and Governor have made public statements regarding the return to athletics. As of today, this issue is unresolved.

So why am I writing this letter?

We are here for you. Our teachers and support staff are ready for the start of school; whatever it looks like and regardless of your learning choice. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the building principal or me. I have included administration contacts on this letter for your convenience.

Sincerely,

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