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Dear Norwell Families and Staff,

Last night the School Committee reviewed several COVID-19 guidance documents for approval. Please review the linked documents or visit the NPS website on the main page for the collection of documents.

The School Committee approved the reopening Mask Requirements authorized by Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Commissioner Jeffrey Riley. Here is the link to the [DESE Mask Requirement](#).

The School Committee approved the adoption of DESE/DPH Quarantine and Close-Contact Procedures for Responding to COVID-19 Scenarios (8/13/21) [DESE/DPH Protocols for Responding to COVID Scenarios](#).

The School Committee approved mask language for the Student-Parent Handbooks. Here is the [link](#) to this language. Families will be notified when the Handbooks are available for parent review and signature in the ASPEN student information system.

Norwell Public Schools have been approved to administer Routine COVID-19 safety checks. Please read the [Norwell Letter to Parents and Staff](#). This letter provides information regarding symptomatic testing, routine safety checks, and test and stay programs.

Link to Safety Testing Consent Form:

<https://www.cic-health.com/consent/ma?district=null>

To learn more about the COVID-19 testing program there will be a virtual meeting:

Safety Testing Q & A:

Monday, August 30 · 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Google Meet joining info:

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/eyf-mzto-bpv>

Or dial: (US) +1 781-514-9616 PIN: 966 164 909#

We look forward to welcoming all of our students and staff as the school year begins. Thank you for taking the time to learn more about our safety protocols.

Sincerely,

Matthew A. Keegan
Superintendent of Schools