

December 2, 2020

Dear Union Township Schools Families and Colleagues:

We have continued to closely monitor the spread of COVID-19 in our community, and we are noticing an improved trend. The number of cases and the positivity rate in Porter County have decreased in the last week. Porter County has returned to a label as “orange”. You can use the daily dashboard [link](#) to see the active cases both in and out of our schools.

In light of this improvement, all UTSC schools will return to an in-person offering beginning **Monday, December 7. Those who had chosen to be virtual on November 16 may continue as a virtual learner.**

Returning to in-person learning will continue to take the efforts of the entire Union Township community. Our school community must continue to practice social distancing, wear face masks, and frequently wash and sanitize our hands. The approaching holiday season will pose challenges as families gather for celebrations, college students are home, and families travel to visit friends and family. Please remember that we must be vigilant in protecting ourselves and our families from exposure to COVID-19. Our choices today will directly impact our ability to reopen after the holidays.

I would like to thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to protect the health and safety of our students and staff. Remember that our ability to continue offering an in-person format will take the efforts of everyone in our school community, and we hope that we can continue to see a decrease in the rate of transmission and allow our students to remain in our schools.

Sincerely,

John Hunter
Superintendent