



**Barneveld School District**  
*"...a community striving towards  
 excellence in education."*

12/16/2020

To: Students, Staff, Families, and Community Members

From: Joseph Price, Superintendent

**Re: Gradual Return to School (4th & 5th grades)**

Greetings Barneveld Families,

As a follow-up to last week’s correspondence, we have closely monitored the case rates in Iowa County, as well as the Barneveld community. We are continuing to see a downward trend in positive cases (see table below) and as a result, we will continue our Gradual Return to in-person learning. Although winter break begins next Wednesday, December 23rd, we understand how important it is for students to be at school. This will allow students to reconnect with their teachers and peers and be more fully engaged in the learning process.

Students in 4th and 5th-grade will resume in-person learning on Monday, December 21, 2020.

<i>Date dashboard was updated</i>	<i>Percent of tests that are positive</i>	<i>Average number of cases reported per day</i>	<i>Average number of tests per day</i>	<i>Outbreaks metric</i>	<i>Percentage of cases contracted by community spread</i>	<i>School Capacity metric: new case rate per 10,000</i>
<b>November 6</b>	11.4%	16.86	148.3	Red	42%	99
<b>November 13</b>	14.5%	26.36	181.8	Red	41%	155
<b>November 20</b>	14.7%	30.14	205.7	Red	43%	178
<b>November 27</b>	12.5%	26.86	215.1	Red	44%	158
<b>December 4</b>	9.8%	16.64	169.4	Red	43%	98
<b>December 11</b>	8.1%	11.9	147	Red	46%	70

Additional determinations will be made in the coming weeks as we look to further expand our gradual return to school.

**\*\*\*We ask that families with 4th and 5th-grade students to please complete a survey which will be sent to you later today.**

Please continue to help us by practicing the 3 W’s - Wear face coverings in public, Wash your hands often, and Watch your social distancing when out.

Thank you again for your continued support and patience as we experience this together!

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Sincerely,

Joseph Price,  
 Superintendent