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Community High School District 117 Families,

We just completed the last full week of instruction for the semester! Next week, the fall semester wraps up with final exams before a well deserved two week winter break. I am proud to say the District's goal of maximizing in-person learning, in a healthy and safe learning environment while minimizing student interruptions, has been achieved for the first semester. While necessary adjustments were made to practices and procedures throughout the semester, to meet the changing public health conditions and needs of the District's staff and students, more importantly, in-person instruction continued the whole semester.

Understandably, not everyone agrees with the District's main mitigation measures (encouraging vaccinations, masking, social distancing, hand washing, frequent facilities cleaning, and staying home when sick), these practices, among others, helped keep our schools open and students learning in-person for the fall semester. Unfortunately, Lake County and the District have seen an increase in COVID infections. In an effort to manage the increasing infections and to deliver consistent in-person instruction for the second semester, we encourage anyone that has not been vaccinated against COVID-19 to consider receiving the vaccination; information can be found [here](#).

Second semester is equally as busy as the first semester. Second semester marks the final semester of the graduating Class of 2022! Senior students are already busy applying to colleges, jobs and potentially considering military service, all worthy endeavors. The District also formally welcomes the incoming Class of 2026! Additionally, the second semester encompasses both winter and spring arts, activities and athletics which offer students a wide variety of opportunities and meaningful experiences.

There are a lot of positive opportunities to look forward to in the second semester. The District appreciates your understanding and ongoing patience. Please reach out to your building administration if you have specific questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jim McKay
Superintendent



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Community High School District 117, being a community of learners with a vision of excellence, is committed to providing an educational experience that encourages all learners to develop to their fullest potential, to engage in lifelong learning, and to be responsible members of society