Danville Parents and Guardians,

On September 8th our students will be returning back to school after 179 days out. With the current positivity rate running under 12% we will be returning back to school face to face with the following guidelines in place. **MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES!**

Students will enter the building and go directly to classrooms. Physical distancing in classes and maintain a 3 to 6 feet distance.

- 2020-2021 Calendar will be adjusted to account for added minutes to each day for "filling the gap" time
- Students and staff will be required to take temperature prior to coming to school, including staying home when sick.
- Hand sanitizing and hand washing will be allotted extra time,
- Parents will be encouraged to transport their children to help with bus capacity, but bus transportation will be available, hand sanitizers equipped on the bus, students will be required to wear mask and assigned seating,
- Students will be invited to bring water bottles for personal use, only water bottle filling stations will be used by students, drinking fountains will be closed,
- Non-essential visitors will not be allowed in the building,
- During breakfast and lunch physical distancing will be in place,
- Staggered passing times and recesses,
- Assigned seating in all classes,
- Staggered times of release for buses, parent pickup, and walkers. Students will be released by the intercom. Buses will be released first to open up the Circle Drive for parents.
- Junior/High School Periods have been modified to account for increased passing time, added MTSS, and lunchroom scheduling.

<u>6% - 14% positivity rate</u> in Des Moines County-Continued above strategies with added mitigation. Hybrid learning based upon individual needs.

- Face coverings required for staff,
- Face coverings required for students.

Our virtual/online learning platform will not be up and running until Monday, September 14th. Staff will be connecting with those students next week.

Starting on Friday, September 11th we will make the decision by 2:00 for the next week and contact parents through JMC, Website and Facebook.

Please contact Mr. Lawrence, Mrs. Thornburg or me if you have any questions.

Have a safe and restful Labor Day. Yours in education, Dr. Ward