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Dear Milan School Families,

Let me start with telling you all how proud I am of each of you for handling this year so well. There are many differences this year, and we are making it through successfully. I wanted to send out some reminders and updates for each of you as we are now in our second quarter of the school year.



Staff and students/parents are supposed to complete a daily pre-attendance screening: [Symptom Checklist](#). Those questions include the usual suspects - have you had direct contact with a known positive, have you been told to quarantine, do you have any of the following symptoms, etc. If you can answer yes to those, you are instructed to not come to school. It has been proven that pre-screening is NOT going to work all the time but it will at least make you think twice about sending your child to school if any of these things are a possibility.

This is not the year to try to “push on through” and come to school not feeling well. Nurse Kneuvén and I are happy to take your call and help decide if your child should be at school or not. It is better to call and discuss your concerns before sending your child to school, and possibly affecting others, this call will allow us to help discern what could possibly be something that needs a little down time at home to play out or may warrant a visit to the physician.

Another reminder is that the cold and flu season is here now too. We want to be diligent with our efforts to remain in-person at school. Remember the safe practices of what we know works best for combating germs and spreading disease:

- continue to wash hands often
- use hand sanitizer when you can't wash your hands
- avoid touching your face
- wear a mask/shield
- Social distancing when possible and avoiding large gatherings

This is a marathon, not a sprint, so we need to continue putting forth our best efforts. I appreciate all you are doing everyday to keep our students healthy. If Amber or I can be of any assistance to you, please let one of us know.

Yours in Health,

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