



THE PORT BYRON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Port Byron Families,

Over the past few weeks, we have received guidance documents from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), the New York State Education Department (NYSED), and the Cayuga County Health Department (CCHD) regarding how we can safely return all of our students and staff members to school in September.

In addition to thoroughly reviewing the guidance documents, we have had hours of conversations with different stakeholder groups to discuss COVID-19 mitigation strategies in school. Our reopening plan is a product of those conversations.

At last night's Board of Education meeting, I presented the information included in the attached document. Our main goals for the start of the year are to get all of our students safely back in school and, once they are here, keep them in school without major interruptions to in-person learning.

The attached document gives us our best opportunity to achieve those goals. Our plan is based on the most recent guidance and the current infection rates in Cayuga County. We will continue to work with the CCHD, our community members, and the surrounding school districts to monitor and adjust our plan to best meet our students' needs.

As always, please reach out to us with questions or concerns. We are looking forward to the start of the 2021-2022 school year.

Sincerely,

Michael Jorgensen
Superintendent of Schools

Mission Statement

The community, through the Port Byron Central School, will provide opportunities in a stable and caring environment for students to become literate, life-long learners and pursuers of dreams. We will nurture self-worth and develop personal integrity and social responsibility in our students. Our school will actively involve our community for the betterment of education.