



DISCOVER YOUR **NEW HEIGHTS**



SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION

January has been designated as School Board Recognition Month and I would like to take a moment to thank the Cuyahoga Heights Board of Education for continuing to put students first in everything they do.

Please join me in thanking our **Board of Education** for their outstanding service to the Cuyahoga Heights School District. You can contact them through the email links below:

- Mrs. Lyndie Schuckert | President
- Mr. Gary Suchocki | Vice President
- Mr. Mark Dobbins
- Mrs. Maria Eder
- Mr. Joe Nejman

I would also like to thank our outgoing Board officers for an outstanding year of leadership: Mark Dobbins, President and Joe Nejman, Vice President.

The next School Board meeting will be held on January 20th in the Baumgartner Auditorium at 7:00pm, recognizing our December and January students of the month and our staff spotlight.

Read on for details regarding our return to hybrid on the 19th, including safety information, vaccines, and our latest COVID numbers.

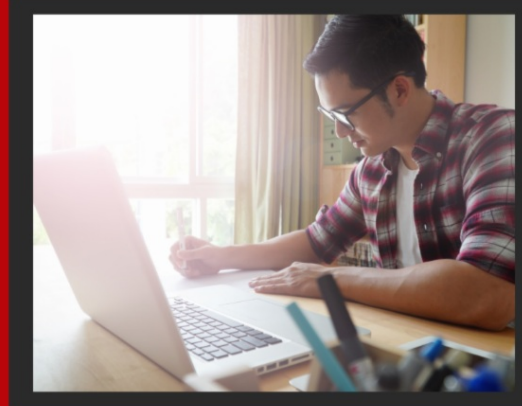
GO BROWNS!!!

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RETURN TO LEARN

HYBRID SCHEDULE RESUMES JANUARY 19TH



Thank you to all of our families which completed the Return to School survey. We had a 91% survey completion rate. Our students on the Grey schedule return next Tuesday, January 19, with students on the Scarlet schedule returning Thursday, January 21. We're excited for the return of students to our classrooms.

Just a reminder that all of the previous protocols are still in place as students return. Mask wearing is required of all students and staff, we will continue to practice social distancing and sanitize the building thoroughly. We have additional desk shields and will be purchasing air scrubbers for designated areas.

We realize that quarantine has been redefined by the Governor and the Ohio Department of Health. We are awaiting the Cuyahoga County Health Department's interpretation of the new quarantine guidelines, and will share as we learn more.

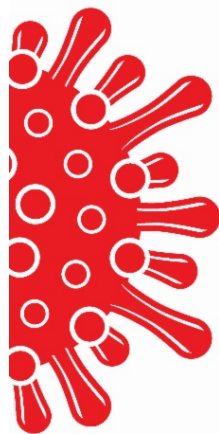
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

- **Less than 3 feet:** If a student or employee is less than 3 feet for 15 minutes or more in a 24 hour period of time from an affected individual during his/her infectious period in a classroom and face coverings are worn appropriately, he/she will be placed into full quarantine (e.g. cannot attend school, cannot leave home, etc.)
- **3 feet but less than 6 feet:** If a student or employee is at least 3 feet but less than 6 feet for 15 minutes or more in a 24 hour period of time from an affected individual during his/her infectious period in a classroom and face coverings are worn appropriately, the student or employee will be allowed to continue to attend school during the quarantine period but he/she will be in regular quarantine for everything outside of school, including extracurricular activities and athletics. Basically, the student or employee will only be permitted to leave home to attend school during the quarantine period.
- **6 feet or more:** If a student or employee is 6 feet or more from an affected individual during his/her infectious period in a classroom and face coverings are worn appropriately, no quarantine will be required. This is the standard

quarantine procedure we have followed since school started in August.

- **On a school bus:** If a student is sitting in the same seat as the affected individual, the seat in front of or behind the affected individual, or directly across the aisle if the affected individual was in an aisle seat, he/she will be placed into quarantine and will not be permitted to attend school.
- **For any school-related contact outside of a classroom:** If a student or employee is less than 6 feet for more than 15 minutes in a 24 hour period of time from an affected individual during his/her infectious period in any school setting outside of the classroom or bus, he/she will be placed into quarantine and will not be permitted to attend school.
- **Timeline for Quarantine:** Quarantine is for a period of 10 days. For those participating in athletics, the period for athletics (e.g. practices and competitions) is 14 days. The timeline changes if the person in quarantine develops COVID-19 symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19.

WEEKLY NEWS AND UPDATES



CURRENT COVID - 19

CASES & QUARANTINES

The Cuyahoga County Board of Health requires school districts to report and contact trace known positive cases among staff and students even when our schools are engaged in remote learning.

Reported during the week of January 11:

- **QUARANTINE:** Students (6) | Staff (1)
 - **POSITIVE TEST:** Students (3) | Staff (2)
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This is the information recently presented by Governor DeWine in regards to the vaccine and progress with vaccinations.

PHASE 1A

- As of today have administered 361,000 vaccines
- Big picture comes back to not having enough vaccines
- Hope to have additional streams of vaccines soon
- Goal eventually is to vaccinate everyone
- Literally have to take this one week at a time
- Reiterated goals of saving lives, getting kids back in school and protect front line workers
- 87% of all deaths have occurred with people 65+ years of age
- Making good progress on health care workers

AGE ELIGIBILITY

- Reiterated plans for beginning on 1/19 with those 80+ years
- “Hope” to be able to extend the age eligibility by 5 years each week
- Some local health departments have just announced or will be announcing this week as to where those 80+ years can get vaccine in each county
- Each health department should have locations in each county up on their website
- Tomorrow (1/15) at 8am you will be able to look at state dashboard by county/zip at www.coronavirus.ohio.gov
- 750 providers – will do their own scheduling (link on state’s website)
- May add other large sites in urban areas, but started with providers across local neighborhoods to ensure equity (pharmacies, clinics, health centers)
- This should avoid very long lines

EDUCATOR ELIGIBILITY

- Today – 1/3 of students are in class 5 days a week, 1/3 hybrid, 1/3 remote
 - See more coming back in person or hybrid
 - Nothing more on educator vaccines
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BUS DRIVERS WANTED

Cuyahoga Heights Schools is currently looking for part-time, substitute school bus drivers, if interested please call [216-429-5769](tel:216-429-5769).



COMMUNICATION

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