

(sent 1/6/22)

## LPS Community,

As we have continued to emphasize over the course of the past twenty-two months since the onset of the pandemic, things remain extremely fluid as adjustments to our *Return to Learn* plans occur regularly. With this being said, earlier today we were made aware of the approval of a mask ordinance by Kansas City, Missouri that would require masks be worn by all staff, students, and visitors (grades K-12) while inside our facilities. As has been shared previously, we have closely followed public health guidance as it relates to the pandemic (per District Policy EBB) since March of 2020, and we believe it is important to continue with this approach going forward. In addition, and again to be consistent with our approach over the past twenty-two months, since several of our schools reside in Kansas City, MO, we plan to adhere to this guidance district-wide (grades preK-12) beginning when the ordinance is set to take effect on **Monday, January 10, 2022**. This ordinance would be in place through Thursday, February 3, 2022. The LPS Board of Education will convene for formal approval of the *Return to Learn* addendum in the coming days.

Finally, as was shared last month, and as a reminder, the District will not conduct contact tracing within our facilities and will only require COVID-19 positive individuals to self-quarantine this semester. In the event that any additional changes to our current plans take place, we will be committed to sharing them with you in a timely manner.

Thank you for your attention, and have a great rest of the week!

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