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To: NVT S<sup>D</sup> Families

Date: 10.7.2020

Hello Families,

Thank you so much for all your great questions, filling out the forms (sometimes twice), communicating when you or someone in your household is traveling and following all the new procedures. Also, we want to thank you for being kind and thoughtful when interacting with all the staff as we recognize that communication has been made extremely difficult with all the added barriers posed by COVID. Thank you for being understanding and giving us the generous assumption that we are doing our best.

If you have signed the Acknowledgment and Affirmation of COVID-19 Protocols for SD Associates- NVT , LLC we will no longer ask you the screening questions in the am rather just get your child's temperature and ask you if you have anything to report.

We wanted to share with you the new document from the VT dept of health that outlines how best to deal with the confusion around what to do with COVID symptoms your child may experience. We hope this may help guide us more in some of the day to day decision making.

[https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/CYF\\_VT%20BacktoSchoolAfterIllness10.6.pdf](https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/CYF_VT%20BacktoSchoolAfterIllness10.6.pdf)

We also wanted to let you know in advance for how we are managing the December/winter break for our staff. Many of our staff have not seen their families in a very long time as all the restrictions around travel have made it difficult. Doing essential work in supporting your child/ren has made it necessary that our staff only travel and take vacations that have a reasonable time frame and this does not allow for 14 days of quarantining upon return. We are encouraging staff to see their family and take time off between December 19th and the January 3rd and those traveling by public transportation or to a non-green county are being asked to arrive back in VT by December 27th to start their quarantine. Why are we telling you all this? Because it means that depending on who travels and the level of illness going around the week of January 4th we may have limited staffing and if a program has to be cancelled we will make it up during the next school break. We hope to be able to have a back up plan for each situation, but it may not always work out. Thank you so much for your continued support and understanding.

Also, if at anytime you have any questions or concerns please let us know.

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