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To: NVT S<sup>D</sup> Families Date: 9.18.2020

Hello Families,

Thank you so much for all your support and flexibility as we have been preparing for the start of the school year.

Thanks all of you for signing the Acknowledgement of COVID Policies. If you have not signed this and your child is being served in our building we will have to deny access until it is signed, starting on Monday Sept 22, 2020. If you need a copy email <u>sdintakecoordinator@sdplus.org</u> or call 802-662-7831 and we will make sure you get a copy.

We know there has been a lot of information shared and you maybe on information overload.

So we are going to make this brief and to the point:

- Extra Layers- We are planning on keeping windows open as a part of our environmental controls in response to COVID -19 until at least middle of October, so please have your child dress in layers.
- Mask Training and COVID Plans All of our clients over 5 that we are seeing in person should have a COVID-plan that lays out how staff are interacting with your child in regards to COVID-19 recommendations. Also at this time should be engaging in mask training if they are in person with our staff. If you can send 2 additional masks with your child each day that would be great.
- Allergies Healthy students and staff with the following symptoms/conditions can participate in in person learning in our building:
  - Allergy symptoms (with no fever) that cause coughing and clear runny nose as long as they are medically diagnosed allergies and follow medical treatment plans. This does not require a doctor's note, but rather should be noted on the student's COVID -19 plan.
- All other medical issues that may be ongoing and are considered a COVID Symptom need documentation for the student to be in the building with those symptoms. Please give a copy of this documentation to your child's BA to put in their file and reference on their COVID plan. Please know that there are many factors that we consider when sending a student home and we really want to have our students in program.

Please know we want students in the building and our doing our best to understand the VT Dept of health guidance and implement it in a safe and smart way!

If you have any questions or concerns please email Lesha Rasco operations director at lesha.rasco@sdplus.org

As always our exposure plan/ response to COVID-19 planning can be found at sdplus.org

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