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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We hope this letter finds you and your family well. These past few weeks have been exciting as our staff have returned and are working diligently to put the finishing touches on what will certainly be an interesting year. With the start of school around the corner we would like to reiterate a few key components within our planned guidelines. Our full detailed plan can be found on our district website at www.mabankisd.net. Here are a few specific procedural pieces within our guidelines that we wished to draw attention to:

Prevention

To prevent COVID-positive individuals from entering our campuses, your student's school will have the following COVID-19 symptom screening procedures in place:

- All staff will be required to self-screen daily.
- Parents are asked to proactively identify when their student exhibits COVID-19 symptoms or has been exposed and to keep them home.

Mitigation

Our district will be taking the following steps across each of our campuses to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

- All adults in the building will wear face coverings.
- All students ages 10 and above will be required to face coverings, particularly when they are within six feet of one another, except when participating in activities that cannot be conducted with a face covering on, such as eating, or unless it is not developmentally appropriate for the student to wear a face covering. While it is not required, we encourage students under the age of 10 to wear face coverings as well.
- All Bus Riders, regardless of age, will wear face coverings.

Response

In the event of a COVID-positive case on campus, the campus will take the following steps:

- All areas that are heavily used by the individual with the lab-confirmed case will be closed off until disinfected.
- All teachers, staff, and families of all students in that school will be notified.
- The local health department will be notified.
- Contact tracing will be conducted in partnership with local health officials.
- Any students and staff determined to be in close contact with a COVID-positive case will be immediately sent home for a specified amount of time.

Criteria for Return to School

Conditions for return to school after an individual shows symptoms or gets a positive test result:

Either:

- 24 hours with no fever; and
- Symptoms improved; and
- 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared

Or:

- An acute infection test at an approved testing location (<https://tdem.texas.gov/covid-19/>) that comes back negative for COVID-19

Or:

- A doctor's note indicating an alternate diagnosis

Also, please keep in mind that out of an abundance of caution as well as in accordance with TEA guidelines, students experiencing any symptoms associated with COVID will be sent home. COVID related symptoms include but are not limited to:

- Feeling feverish or has a temperature of 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit or higher
- Cough
- Difficulty breathing
- Shortness of breath
- Fatigue
- Headache
- Chills
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Shaking or exaggerated shivering
- Significant muscle pain or ache
- Diarrhea
- Nausea or vomiting

If your student has a pre-existing condition that may routinely include any of the above symptoms, please provide medical documentation to the appropriate campus nurse

As previously stated, we hope that this information gives you confidence in our systems and our ability to stop the spread of COVID-19 on our campuses. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the appropriate campus Administration or visit our website at www.mabankisd.net.

We look forward to a great 2020 – 2021 school year.

Sincerely,

Brad Koskelin
Superintendent
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