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MeANS Community,

I hope that your week of vacation was enjoyable. I know for myself, a little time away from the screen was worth its weight in gold. Time outside, in nature, was especially rejuvenating.

I am writing to remind everyone that as we prepare to return to school, it is important to “double down” on our community safety precautions regarding COVID-19.

The most important first step is to conduct a thorough self-screen prior to leaving home. The self-screen document can be found on our website in the COVID-19 resource section. A link is here: <https://meansacademy.org/covid-19-updates/> Additionally, a proper mask remains the most effective way to keep ourselves and others safe.

If you have travelled outside the state of Maine, you are required to adhere to the Governor’s guidelines which can be found here: <https://www.maine.gov/covid19/restartingmaine/keepmainehealthy>

A few other reminders. We have returned to our first hybrid schedule with the 9/10 grades in person on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and the 11/12 grades in person on Thursdays and Fridays. Intensives will begin this week as well. Students will be required to login remotely for Intensives as well. Participation online is mandatory and serves as the school’s method for taking attendance.

We are excited to see everyone back in the building this week and look forward to learning together.

If you have any questions regarding a safe return to school, please contact our nurse Brittney Ibbitson at 509-0182.

Sincerely,

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