



January 3, 2022

Dear MeANS Community,

I am excited to usher in a New Year and welcome you back to school! I sincerely hope your holidays were merry and bright; filled with family, friends, and good cheer.

We are returning to school amidst a rise in COVID infections and heightened anxiety about health and safety. I encourage you to reach out to school staff if you have any questions about your son or daughter's eligibility to return to school.

The Maine CDC has updated isolation and quarantine guidelines which can be found here:

<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/airborne/coronavirus/general-information.shtml#flow>

This site has two very useful flow charts for isolation and quarantine that can assist with decision making. I have also attached the most recent pre-screening tool. As always, if you have questions, please call the school and we can assist with next steps.

Above all, we are eager to see our teachers and students and kick off the New Year!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Newberg". The signature is stylized and written over the word "Sincerely,".

Matt Newberg
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