

INTEGRATED DAY CHARTER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

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SCREEN AND STAY

Effective Monday, November 8, 2021 the Integrated Day Charter School will no longer require close contact students to isolate if they have been cleared by Peggy Rankowitz RN, BSN, school nurse.

This decision is being made after Governor Lamont's press conference, held November 4, 2021 in which he outlined his new policy, **SCREEN AND STAY**.

STAY AND SCREEN will allow students with close contact to continue to attend school **as long as they do not exhibit symptoms and strict mask wearing is followed**. Students will be screened by Mrs. Rankowitz.

Daily home monitoring of your child is key.

Completing the **RUVNA** daily will help us track students.

- Take their temperature each morning
- Do not send a child to school with a temperature above 100 degree F
- Do not send your child to school if they are sick-
- Fever, new cough, shortness of breath, muscle aches, diarrhea,
- Vomiting, loss of taste or smell

Completion of **RUVNA** daily will help us track students. These steps help control the spread of many illnesses – COVID, the flu, and common cold.

Please call your doctor to evaluate a sick child and keep the school nurse informed. The school nurse will keep track of ill students and will inform families if there is a close contact. Communication and prevention are keys to keeping our students safe and in school.

COVID VACCINATION CLINIC AT IDCS FOR 5-11 YEAR OLDS

I am happy to announce a **COVID vaccination clinic here at IDCS for our 5 -11 year old students**:

Vaccination is seen as the #1 tool available to help control the COVID 19 epidemic

PARENTS MUST COME WITH STUDENTS to give permission.

November 12, 2021 will be the first clinic, followed by a second dose clinic to be **December 3, 2021**

THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THE COVID VACCINE.

Please send a copy of your child's completed (2doses) card to the school nurse to complete their health record.

PLEASE remember to have your child vaccinated against the Flu virus. Influenza was well controlled last year with all the measures put in place for the COVID pandemic and Flu vaccines were key. Many pediatric doctor practices have the vaccines available. This is a requirement for our pre-k students.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Peggy Rankowitz RN BSN

School nurse