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Dear Parents,

Centerville-Abington Community School was notified yesterday of a new executive order released by the Governor of Indiana. This new executive order given by Governor Holcomb gives schools the ability to keep more students in the classroom. The handouts provided to schools from the State Health Department are included on the joint press release that is also attached to this letter.

Starting Friday, September 3, 2021, students who were identified as close contacts in the classroom setting and were wearing their masks in their classrooms, will be permitted to return to class. If the student was not wearing a mask or is showing any of the symptoms related to COVID-19, they must remain at home and follow the previous guidance of quarantining and returning to school. Also, if they are close contacts to a positive in the household, they will be required to quarantine as they have in the past. It is important to note that there are still situations, such as lunch and extracurricular activities, where students and staff may be required to quarantine at home and those instances will be described to parents when they occur.

Characteristics of symptoms, reported as the following:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Starting today, Thursday, September 2, 2021, we will be contacting classroom close contacts using our school messenger. It is vital that you make sure you have the correct email address in PowerSchool to receive this important information. If you need assistance changing this information, please contact the secretary or administrators in the building your child is in.

Sincerely,

Mike McCoy

