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Allegro Update on COVID-19

Families,

As we note the CCSD metrics that have positioned our district in the “red” range, we would first like to commend our school community for working together to stay safe. Thus far, Allegro has had only two positive cases of COVID-19 to report.

While current infection rates allow for a return to an all-virtual environment, that is not our goal or what is currently occurring. Allegro will continue to operate in our hybrid model, at least through January. With that resolve, however, comes a warning that **it may become necessary, with little to no advance notice, to move to an all virtual model**. The challenge ahead, as we continue to offer and deliver this type of instruction, is one of staffing. Please see recent news coverage of school closures in West Ashley and Columbia for this reason to better understand the issue.

As teachers are faced with potential exposure and have to quarantine while awaiting test results, we are consequently left with situations where there is not enough staff available to cover classes without forcing on-campus students into a smaller number of spaces. This creates a dangerous and unacceptable scenario and would, therefore, result in our being forced to close the building.

Please do your part by continuing to wear your mask properly, frequently wash your hands, and most importantly, stay home and get tested if you do not feel well.

Sincerely,

Daniel Neikirk
Principal

Lisa Chapman-Bauknight
Board Chair