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RE: Updated Health & Safety Guidelines

Dear Tukwila School District Community,

In the last few days, the King County Department of Health has recorded record high cases of positive COVID-19 diagnoses in both King County and Washington state. In response, Governor Jay Inslee provided [updated health and safety guidance](#) during his public address on the morning of Sunday, November 15th. The full guidance document can be found here: [Governor Inslee's Health and Safety Guidance Document](#)

Governor Inslee did not declare any significant changes to our current practices for face-to-face learning for students receiving Special Education. Please know we continue our commitment to maintaining safe, healthy, and clean environments for all Tukwila students and staff.

All district sites have designated entry zones where initial wellness screening occurs. Visible signage is prominently featured at each entrance prompting staff and visitors to scan-in and respond to a series of vital wellness questions. Adults not feeling well are prompted to return home. Students not feeling well will visit an isolation space for additional screening. Additionally, we require the use of PPE (proper protective equipment), like face masks, at all times at all district sites. Staff and students are reminded to keep at least six feet physical distance from each other and to wash their hands frequently.

While these times currently present many challenges for us all, I am inspired daily by the tenacity, resilience, and adaptability of our students and staff.

Take care and be well.

Dr. Flip Herndon
Superintendent