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Byron Area Schools

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Dear Byron Area Schools Families

Summer break is half way over so I thought a bit of information now might help as you plan for the 2021-2022 school year. Please keep in mind plans may change if or when lawful orders of the CDC, MDHHS or MIOSHA change.

The BAS plan right now for the 2021-2022 school year is that:

- COVID-19 vaccinations **will not** be required for students or employees
- Regardless of vaccination status students **are not required** to wear a mask except on school buses.
- **Unvaccinated employees** working indoors where they can't maintain social distancing of 6 feet **are required** to wear a mask through Oct. 14, 2021
- Students **will not** be separated or cohorted by vaccination status
- Student athletes **will not** be tested for COVID-19
- Contact tracing **will** continue because schools are required to report communicable diseases to the local health department
- Students exposed to COVID-19 **will** be quarantined by the local health department not by BAS
- Regardless of vaccination status visitors to the campuses and guests at events **are not required** to wear masks unless they choose to do so

For the 2021-2022 school year instruction for BAS PreK-12 students will be:

- In-person Monday through Friday
- Virtual for students in grades K-12 whose parents request it through the Shiawassee Virtual Academy, a service of the local public schools in Shiawassee County and the Shiawassee RESD

Hopefully knowing the BAS 2021-2022 plan will help you with your planning.

Sincerely,

Bob Cassidy, Superintendent