



“Providing an effective, challenging, and engaging education for every one of our students”

MBS Parents,

Welcome to the end of another great week! Our students are doing an excellent job growing in their academics and extracurricular activities. We want to take a moment and provide you with an update regarding our schools and the latest COVID information.

As of Friday January 28, 2022, we have a total of 90 reported positive COVID cases and 35 individuals designated as a close contact. Throughout the week, 70 individuals were able to immediately return due to our [most recent isolation/quarantine guidelines](#). Based on information from ADPH, we are beginning to trend in the right direction and are hopeful the next few weeks will bring drastic improvement to COVID cases.

We continue to highly recommend masking for those in our school buildings. Each day, our team meets to review every reported COVID positive and close contact case in our district. We evaluate possible trends of transmission, and in some instances, have masked individual classrooms that experience an increase. This procedure is for all individuals regardless of vaccination status.

We are cleaning our school buildings and have equipped our custodial staff with the tools necessary to clean large areas at a faster rate. Classrooms or grade levels that experience a sudden increase in positive cases receive extra cleaning measures when patterns are discovered. We are distancing our students and staff as much as possible. Lunchroom seating and locations continue to maintain three feet of distance. We are working to avoid group gatherings and conduct meetings virtually when possible to mitigate the spread of COVID.

Our students and staff have been wonderful in abiding by the procedures and we hope that this current situation will soon be behind us. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we navigate these uncertain circumstances. We hope you have a great weekend!

Good News:

- Julianne Abenoja won ‘Distinguished Young Women of Alabama 2022’ last weekend. [Full story here.](#)
- Four MBHS students were named to the ‘Alabama All State Jazz Band.’ [Click here](#) to read more.