## **Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School District**

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Dear Cheektowaga-Sloan Families and Community,

I am writing to provide you with follow-up information from earlier this week when you received a letter from me regarding Guidance that was released by the Erie County Department of Health.

First, I want to be sure that everyone has a copy of the Guidance that was released this week by the Erie County Department of Health. We have included a link here <u>Guidance for PK-12 Schools</u>, <u>2021-2022</u> for your reference. In addition to the Guidance Document, I wanted to share an outline that we developed internally in our District. We wanted to provide our families and school community with a quick reference sheet so that it is easier to find important information. We have included the outline here <u>Outline of COVID 19 Health and Safety Protocols</u> for your review and reference. More details about each item can be found in the full Guidance document should you need additional information.

Our hope is that as you read our 1-page outline, you will feel comfortable knowing that many of the terms and expectations are consistent with what we had in place last year and are similar to your experiences over the past school year. Most importantly, I want to reassure our school community that cleaning and disinfecting remains our top priority so that everyone here is learning and working in the safest environment possible. We continue to ask for everyone's help by keeping your children home if any COVID-19 symptoms are present. This will greatly assist us in keeping everyone as safe as possible as we continue to move through this pandemic.

It is important for me to end on a very positive note. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the children, parents and families who have recently visited our schools for orientations. It has warmed our hearts and brought significant joy to all of us here to observe our students back in our schools being accompanied by their parents and family members. We would also like to thank everyone for their incredible cooperation with wearing masks and helping us be able to continue to move forward with our planned school events which include our parents and families. If we continue to be safe like we have been, we will be rewarded with these wonderful opportunities where we can welcome students and families into our schools for in-person events. Thank you so very much for your ongoing incredible partnership.

If you have any questions about specific building-level safety protocols, please reach out directly to your child's Building Principal. We want to be sure that all families are comfortable and have the information they need. We look forward to greeting all children back to school on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>!

Sincerely,

Andrea L. Galenski, Superintendent of Schools

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