

Hope Township School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The months of November, December and January include various holidays and long weekends. Some of us have or are currently making plans for domestic and international travel that include gathering with family and friends. In light of the current COVID-19 status in our region, country, and abroad, it seems prudent to review safety protocols and requirements ...

***... for domestic travel.* Under the 14-day quarantine travel advisory, individuals returning to New Jersey from states with increasing rates of COVID-19 are advised to self-quarantine for 14 days. This includes travel by train, bus, car, plane, and any other method of transportation. Impacted states are included on the [NJ Travel Advisory List](#), which is updated weekly, and are those that have an average daily number of new cases higher than 10 per 100,000 residents over a seven-day period or have a 10% or higher positivity rate over a seven-day period. The advisory applies to travel from states that meet either of these levels. [NJ COVID-19 Information Hub]**

***... for international travel.* If you intend to travel internationally, check the [CDC's COVID-19 Travel Recommendations by Destination](#). Many countries are still categorized as a Level-3 high COVID-19 risk, and the CDC recommends avoiding all nonessential travel to these countries. Your children will be required to quarantine 14 days upon return to NJ. [NJ COVID-19 Information Hub]**

Notify Mrs. DeYong and your student's teacher via email one week in advance of your travel to one of the states on the [NJ Travel Advisory List](#) (updated

weekly) or to a CDC identified [Level-3 high COVID-19 risk country](#) so remote instruction can be organized for your children. Please include your destination and date of return to NJ.

... for gatherings with family and friends. The CDC suggests staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others during the upcoming holidays. Please visit the [CDC Holiday Celebrations Page](#) for information and suggestions for lower risk holiday activities and gatherings.

If you must travel or gather with family and friends, please follow safety protocols to ensure our schools remain open for in-person instruction. As always, thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Thank you,

Mary Jane Weigly, RN, CSN