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Dear Readington School Community,

I hope you all had an opportunity to enjoy your Memorial Day weekend! This letter provides an update regarding some recent changes in our protocols. In addition, we would like to inform you that the <u>COVID</u> <u>Activity Report</u> released on Thursday shows that our region remains yellow.

As our region and state continues to move in a better direction in regard to COVID, our school district is going to make some additional changes to our protocols. Those changes are outlined below:

- We will open our playgrounds for student use in grades PreK-5 beginning June 2. Students will have access to play on our playground equipment during their snack/outdoor breaks. Hand washing and hand sanitizer will be available when students re-enter the building.
- Our COVID Assurance Form will occur one final time. We are asking that all staff and parents read and sign one final assurance form and monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID. The final assurance form will be available for staff and parent acknowledgement on June 2.
- Finally, masks will be optional at outdoor end of the year celebrations such as clap-outs and graduation. Per the most recent memo from the State Department of Education, they are guiding us that masks at these special events are no longer required for staff, students, or parents/guests as long as the ceremony is outside. The choice will be individually left up to parents, students, and staff to wear masks at these events.

New Jersey continues to move in a positive direction as we combat COVID-19. We appreciate your cooperation and resilience as we live our mission of empowering members of our community to lead purposeful lives with integrity.

Sincerely,

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