



Dear Bradford Families,

As we prepare for the opening of a new school year, we want to provide you with an update on our prevention measures to ensure our students and staff remain safe and healthy. These prevention measures have been developed by our leadership team who have been monitoring the guidance and recommended protocols of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and Oakland County Health Department to ensure your child's safety, our top priority.

### **In-Person Learning**

**This fall, Bradford is returning to in-person learning on Tuesday, September 7, 2021.** We know how critical it is for students to be present for successful student learning. We are so eager to see all your children face-to-face this fall and are ready and equipped to safely welcome them back into our classrooms.

### **Health and Safety**

We will continue to follow protocols that have kept us safe, including daily health screening and positive case reporting, frequently disinfecting spaces, and regular hand washing and sanitation. We will encourage students to social distance and be considerate of others' space. We will request that you not send your child to school if they or anyone in your household is sick and/or experiencing COVID symptoms. Below are the health and safety protocols we will implement for the 2021/22 school:

- **Masking: Masks will be required for all staff, students and visitors in our buildings at all times regardless of vaccination status.**

**As a reminder, face masks are also required on school buses.**

- **School Nurse:** We are very excited to inform you Bradford Academy will have a full-time nurse on campus this school year who will provide services to meet the health care needs of all students.
- **Screening:** Parents and guardians will be asked to screen their children daily for COVID symptoms before sending them to school. Students riding school buses will be screened before they are allowed on the bus and students being dropped off at school will be screened when entering the school building.

Staff and visitors will continue daily check-ins before entry.

- **Physical Distancing:** We will continue to maintain physical distancing inside our schools and classrooms as much as possible.

- **Cleaning and Sanitizing:** Surfaces in the school will be cleaned and sanitized frequently.
- **Hand Washing:** Time and supplies will be available for proper hand washing and sanitizing.
- **Contact Tracing and Quarantining:** We will conduct contact tracing and quarantining as recommended by the Oakland County Health Department.
- **Air Purification:** Each classroom has its own air purification device.

Throughout the next few weeks, we will monitor COVID-19 numbers for our area and will continue to evaluate any additional guidance from the CDC and the local health department.

Thank you for your continued support of Bradford Academy. We are excited to see all of the students back in the classrooms on September 7. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

In Partnership,

Mr. Stevens, K-8 Principal

Mr. Brooks, HS Principal

Mr. Rathbun, Area Superintendent