**Delbarton School 2022-2023 COVID-19 Policy**

Based on guidance from the New Jersey Department of Health, Delbarton will continue to implement the following COVID-19 prevention and control strategies during the 2022-2023 school year. This will be our policy unless County or State health mandates require otherwise.

We will...

* **Continue to** encourage students and staff to stay up to date with vaccinations, and we will offer our yearly flu and COVID booster clinic for our staff this fall.
* **Continue to encourage students and staff to stay home when sick.**
* **Maintain our policies for reporting** positive test results, illness, and household exposures and report outbreaks and suspect outbreaks immediately to the Morris Township Health Department.
* **Continue to enforce isolation**for those who are symptomatic or have tested positive for COVID-19 and other illnesses.
* **Promote prevention strategies** including good personal and respiratory hygiene, thorough facility cleaning and masking following illness and exposure, and continue to follow control measures recommended by the Morris Township Board of Health in response to clusters of cases and confirmed outbreaks.
* **Support mask use** by any individual who chooses to wear a mask.

Finally, based on New Jersey Board of Health guidance regarding case-investigation response, we will no longer conduct contact tracing. Instead, we will employ the recommended routine disease control model:

* Individuals who test COVID- positive will continue to be isolated for 5 days and wear a mask for a full 10 days.
* NJ DOH recommends asymptomatic students and staff who were exposed to COVID-19 should test on day 5 and wear a mask for 10 days.

If you have any questions about our 2022-2023 COVID-19 Policy, please email School Nurse Deirdre McAuliffe **here.**