

September 10, 2021

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Simsbury Public Schools Staff:

I hope that you are well. I am pleased to report that we are completing the second week of full in-school instruction with great success. The Simsbury Public Schools continue to work on COVID-19 strategies that mitigate the spread of the virus and, in consultation with our local health district, continue to monitor health metrics at the state, county, and Farmington Valley level. We thankfully are seeing a low level of impact to our schools from the virus thus far.

The Farmington Valley saw an uptick in community cases in the latter part of the summer. We have rebooted the [Coronavirus Update page](#) on our website. Here you will find an updated Parent/Guardian Daily Checklist, Quarantine Decision Tree, and updated FAQs on returning to school. Today we have begun posting the [weekly data dashboard](#) which denotes the current number of COVID cases by school location with the corresponding number of individuals in the district who are quarantined. Principals will communicate directly with their school community should there be a positive case of COVID within their school building. Additionally, each Monday we will post the Farmington Valley town level case rates as we receive them from the Farmington Valley Health District.

I am grateful for all members of the school community who are working together to create the conditions for another successful school year. It continues to be an unpredictable and challenging time, but as we move forward, your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Matt Curtis
Superintendent of Schools