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Dear Southwestern Families:

We are so excited to welcome our students back for the 2021-22 School Year. While we still have many challenges to face together we have so much to look forward to this school year. Here are some quick reminders.

Health Screening: You do not have to fill out the form this year but we are asking that you still check your child's temperature and monitor for any COVID like symptoms.

Universal Masking: All students and adults are required to wear a mask at all times when in our school buildings. This is a NYSDOH mandate. Masks are not required outdoors.

Transportation: The Transportation Department has been working over the weekend to complete bus routes. They received multiple requests yesterday that they are trying to accommodate. Currently, we are short two bus drivers, We have been actively recruiting since June! If you know anyone that may be interested we will train and help with the certification process.

COVID Testing: We will get information out to you in the next few days as we finalize the process with the Chautauqua County DOH. Testing for students is with parent permission only and voluntary.

We have received many questions and we have tried to answer each one. If you have questions please reach out and we will try and get you answers. We are hopeful that we will see transmission go down and we can start to add some activities that allow our families to return back in the building. We need to stay vigilant, safe and hopeful!

Have a great night!

Mrs. Donahue

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