



January 8, 2021

To Our Green Chimneys Families,

We have received notification that three staff members on our Brewster campus have tested positive for COVID-19. These individuals were last on campus on Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week; all who had close contact have been notified and are now quarantining.

As a reminder, all day students will continue with remote learning on Monday, January 11th and Tuesday, January 12th. Returning residents will be tested and stay within their dorm cohorts, participating in classroom instruction via Zoom while awaiting test results.

We are coordinating with the Putnam County Department of Health and are closely monitoring the situation with all individuals on campus. We continue to follow all safety guidelines and have determined, along with the Department of Health that we do not need to suspend in-person instruction at this time.

Parents should continue to monitor their child each day for symptoms of COVID-19, which could include fever, loss of taste or smell, headache, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, sore throat, fatigue, congestion or runny nose, body aches and/or nausea.

If your child develops any symptoms, contact your child's health care provider as soon as possible. **If your child tests positive for COVID-19**, please call the Green Chimneys Health Center at 845.279.2995 ext. 253.

Maintaining best practices for safe social distancing, properly wearing a mask, diligent hand washing and sanitizing are our best defense against exposure. Please stay vigilant in following and enforcing best practices. For information about Green Chimneys' procedures, please see our School Reopening Plan page at www.greenchimneys.org/therapeutic-special-education/parentsfamilies/announcements/school-reopening-plan

We will send any updates or additional information as needed. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 845.279.2995 ext. 100.

Thank you and stay well,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed Placke".

Ed Placke, Ed.D.
Executive Director