

March 19, 2021

Dear West Chester Area School District,

As we prepare to begin to transition students back to increased in-person instruction, we are very pleased that our staff are receiving vaccinations as provided by the state of PA. Most of our secondary teachers will be enrolled to be vaccinated at the Chester County Intermediate Unit this Sunday, March 21. Based on the experiences of many of our elementary and other staff members who have already received the vaccine, we anticipate a large number of our secondary teachers will be symptomatic within 24 hours and will need to work remotely on Monday, March 22. **As a result, we are moving instruction for all in-person middle and high school students (with the exception of five day a week special education students) to a fully virtual format for Monday, March 22.**

Wednesday March 24 will also remain as a virtual day.

We apologize for this inconvenience, and appreciate your patience and support as we work to continue vaccinating our staff members.

Elementary students will report in-person on Monday March 22.

It was just over a year ago that our schools were first closed for the pandemic. Thank you to every member of this school community for your support for our students through this extremely challenging year. Click [here](#) for a quick look back:

We look forward to brighter days!

Sincerely,

Dr. Jim Scanlon, Superintendent