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Subject: SWHS - Health Protocols & Other Important Info.

Dear SWHS Families,

Health Protocols: Attached is a recently finalized document outlining "Health Protocols for Students and Staff." This has been developed in collaboration with the South Windsor Health Department and the district's nurse supervisor—it aligns with guidance from the Connecticut Department of Education. It is intended to provide guidance for families and staff regarding a variety of "if à then" scenarios. It also offers guidance if someone has had either close or casual contact with a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19. Finally, a link to testing centers (which can be customized to an individual's home location) is also included on page 3.

[COVID Health Protocols for Students and Staff.pdf](#)

Student Handbook: There will be no physical Student Handbooks for the 2020-21 school year. It will be available on the SWHS website and students will be completing a Google Form during the first few days of school acknowledging they are aware of its location.

Expectations Regarding Recorded Lessons: As you know, teachers will be posting recordings of their lessons on their respective Google Classrooms which will be accessible for students enrolled in those courses. Please know, in most instances the length of the recording will not match the length of the class in terms of minutes. There will be various "non-instructional" elements to class that do not require being recorded (ex: taking attendance, independent work time on assignments, etc.). Further, there will be times that a pre-recorded lesson (that did not occur during the actual time class was in session) will serve in the same capacity. As for next week, there will be many "housekeeping" elements to classes and recordings will be very brief in nature. Speaking of next week...

Next Week/The Days Ahead: For the first few days of school, we want to ensure our procedures are working to full capacity and that teachers and students have the opportunity to establish routines, teach/learn new procedures, get to know one another, and become acquainted with our "new reality." Students and teachers will be handling a lot during this time, I ask for your partnership and understanding when supporting all in our start to this very unique year. There may be things that have not been anticipated or things that can be improved. We will do it and we will do it together. I am also hopeful for many unanticipated successes.