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Good Afternoon Phoenix CSD Families, Staff and Students,

I hope that you are all doing well and that you were able to get outside to enjoy some of the sunshine yesterday! I also hope you have a very safe and Happy Halloween this weekend!

Here are this week's updates to keep you informed:

• **COVID-19 Update -**

- We continue to see a decrease in positive COVID-19 cases. Here is a quick summary of the last several weeks of school (as of 8 a.m. this morning):

School Week	# of Positive COVID-19 Cases
Week 1 (9/5 – 9/11)	3
Week 2 (9/12 – 9/18)	15
Week 3 (9/19 – 9/25)	18
Week 4 (9/26 – 10/2)	33
Week 5 (10/3 – 10/9)	12
Week 6 (10/10 – 10/16)	9
Week 7 (10/17 – 10/23)	6
Week 8 (10/24 – 10/30)	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>101</b>

- Our dashboard is updated daily and may be viewed anytime using the following link - <https://www.phoenixcsd.org/Page/4337> .

• **Vaccination Interest Survey for Families with Children Ages 5-11 -**

- The Oswego County Health Department has asked us to put out the following survey to support our community regarding vaccinations. This survey is being used to gauge interest in vaccinations for children ages 5-11 in anticipation of FDA authorization.
- If there is enough interest, the DOH will coordinate a vaccination clinic in our district.
- The deadline to complete this survey is Monday, November 1, 2021.
- If you have a child(ren) 5-11 years old and would like your child to receive the COVID-19 vaccination in our schools (run by the Oswego County Health Department), then please complete the following survey → <https://forms.gle/ZBDxLegafaNzC7BR7>
- I will share additional information as I receive it from the DOH.

- **School Grounds -**
  - District residents are welcome to use the playgrounds at MAM, the JCB track, JCB tennis courts, etc. after school hours when they are not being used for school activities.
  - **Please be advised that these facilities close at dark** - No games or activities are permitted at these locations 30 minutes after sunset.
  
- **Digital Equity Survey – Please look for and complete -**
  - On Monday, November 1st, you will receive an email from FamilyID.
  - The email will walk you through a registration process (if you are not registered already with FamilyID) that will take you 4-5 minutes.
  - Once you register, it will then invite you to complete a brief digital equity survey (*home access to a computer and internet*) that is important for the district to best support our students. The information collected will be shared with the New York State Education Department.
  - We will be sending paper forms home with K-4 students in the coming days. You may also complete and return these if you prefer.
  
- **Food Service Department (FSD) Update -**
  - The FSD is experiencing food supply chain issues and a staff shortage. This is a nationwide problem. So far, we have been able to find the products needed to follow the menu. However, this is getting more difficult with each order. Please know that when we have to make menu changes, we will continue to provide students with a variety of options. We apologize for any last-minute menu changes that may occur due to product shortages. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we navigate this challenging time. Menus, updates & more can be found at **<http://phoenixcsdschoolcafe.org/>**.
  
- **Important Upcoming Dates -**
  - Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup> – Staff Development Day – NO SCHOOL for Students
  - Thursday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – Veterans’ Day – NO SCHOOL for Students & Staff

Thank you very much for your continued support of our school district and programs. I hope that you all have a relaxing and enjoyable weekend!!

Sincerely,

*Christopher J. Byrne*

Superintendent of Schools

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