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Dear WISD families,

It brings us great joy to feel the warmth of spring, especially after an unprecedented and challenging winter. We are grateful to see a steady decline of COVID-19 cases locally and nationally, all while vaccination opportunities increase. As restrictions in Michigan and other states begin to relax, we are asking our entire WISD family to continue taking precautions that help minimize the spread of COVID-19. **The health and safety of our school community depends on each of us doing our part.** 

With spring break in just a few short weeks, I would like to take a moment to highlight the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) recommendations for domestic and international travel. At this time, the CDC does not recommend traveling, and we strongly encourage delaying travel and staying home, even for those who have been vaccinated. Travel increases the chance of getting and spreading COVID-19. Although we may feel well and not have any symptoms, we can still spread COVID-19 to family, friends, and others in the community during and after travel.

However, if you choose to travel, we ask that you <u>assess the risks of traveling</u> and follow <u>CDC guidelines and recommendations</u> in order to reduce the chance of spreading COVID-19. As you get closer to traveling, check the CDC's website for the most up-to-date information on testing and quarantining before and after travel:

- When You Should Not Travel
- General Travel Information
- Domestic Travel
- International Travel
  - Travel Recommendations by Destination (By Country)
  - International Air Travel Expectations
  - o International Air Travel Testing Requirements
- After You Travel
- Quarantine Guidance If You Are Fully Vaccinated
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) About Traveling

Washtenaw ISD and the Washtenaw County Health Department will be following all CDC travel guidance and recommendations, and WISD expects everyone in our school community to do so as well. If you anticipate needing to quarantine after





any upcoming travel, please contact your child's teacher or program supervisor to make preparations as soon as you are able.

While we are all excited to return to some "normal" activities, we must remain cautious in order to prevent another surge of COVID-19 cases. Please continue masking up and social distancing. Monitor yourself for any symptoms and keep practicing healthy hygiene habits. If and when you are able, please consider getting adults in your household vaccinated.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we all work together to keep our community safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

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## **COVID-19: TESTING AFTER TRAVEL**

