



# Social Circle City Schools

*Serving Community & Cultivating Success*

January 3 , 2021

Dear SCCS Families,

Over the holiday break, we continually monitored the effects of COVID-19 on our schools and local community in order to provide safe learning environments for all students and staff. We evaluated the Georgia Department of Public Health data for Walton and surrounding counties. We carefully considered the availability of sufficient staff members to operate our schools safely. At this point, we are not confident that we have sufficient available staff members to operate our schools safely. Therefore, we will offer additional remote learning days for all students Wednesday, January 6th, - Friday, January 8th.

Prior to the holiday break, teachers assigned work for students to complete at their convenience during the break to account for Monday, January 4th, and Tuesday, January 5th, days that were designated as remote learning days in August. Staff members will communicate with students and families regarding their expectations for Wednesday, January 6th, through Friday, January 8th. If you have specific questions about expectations on those dates, please communicate directly with teachers or administrators.

Free nutritious breakfasts and lunches will be available for pick up at the Middle/High School campus Wednesday, January 6th, through Friday, January 8th between 11 am and 1 pm. Families can drive up to the front doors at the Middle/High School campus and bags will be brought out to vehicles. The meals are funded through a grant from the US Department of Agriculture.

If your family has been exposed to a COVID positive individual or [someone experiencing symptoms](#) since December 30th, 2020, please contact your child's principal and our Lead Nurse, Joyce Dieringer, at [Joyce.dieringer@socialcircleschools.org](mailto:Joyce.dieringer@socialcircleschools.org). Please review the [Frequently Asked Questions - Holiday Travel & Return to School January 2021 Guidance](#) section on our website. We must remain vigilant in our practices in order to keep our schools safe and open upon return. Thank you for wearing masks when social distancing is not possible, staying home when you are sick, and sanitizing hands regularly. Please encourage your children to bring masks to school daily and to wear them whenever being 6 feet away from others is not an option. Following these guidelines will assist us to provide safe and engaging face to face and remote learning educational opportunities.

Sincerely,

*Dr. Robbie Hooker*

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