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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Many of our students and staff have underlying health conditions that put them at higher risk for contracting COVID-19. Examples of these health conditions include, but are not limited to:

- Chronic Lung Disease
- Moderate to severe Asthma
- Serious heart conditions
- Immunocompromised conditions
- Severe obesity
- Diabetes
- Chronic kidney disease
- Liver Disease

**DC Department of Health (DOH) and the CDC recommend that those at risk should get clearance from their healthcare provider prior to resuming in-person education.** It is our hope that you as parents/guardians will do what is best for your household. Please reach out to your healthcare provider to determine whether it is in your child's best interest to return to school in-person if/when this option is offered in SY 2020-2021.

Furthermore, DC DOH has outlined strict immunization requirements this school year. Please have your medical provider review your child's immunization record and provide updates as needed. These immunizations are **mandatory** for school attendance. **Any student without current immunizations will not be permitted to participate in in-person learning opportunities until documentation is provided.** As a reminder, physical and dental examinations are required annually.

If you have any questions, please email the nursing office at [candice.turner@stcoletta.org](mailto:candice.turner@stcoletta.org). The office fax number is 202-350-8658.

Thank you,

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