

Biloxi Public Schools

November 4, 2021

Good Morning BPS Parents, Students, and Staff,

On Wednesday, November 3, 2021, the Biloxi Public Schools Board of Trustees held a special called board meeting. During that meeting we discussed and reviewed Covid-19 transmission data and Covid-19 procedures. Data shows a drastic decline in the number of positive Covid-19 cases in Harrison County and especially within the Biloxi Public School District. Additionally, the CDC has now approved the emergency use authorization of the Pfizer vaccine for children ages 5-11. This means that K-12 students and staff are now eligible to be vaccinated if they so choose.

Based on that information and data, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to adopt a Biloxi Public Schools Transmission Plan to measure district level Covid-19 data on a weekly basis and enact mitigation strategies accordingly. Based on the current data, the adopted transmission plan places the Biloxi Public School District at a "Low Transmission" level. Beginning Monday, November 8, 2021, we will enact mitigation strategies in accordance with that low-level transmission. Most notably, masks will be recommended (not required) for all unvaccinated BPS staff, students, and visitors beginning Monday November 8, 2021.

The newly adopted Covid-19 Transmission Plan can be found on the Biloxi Public Schools website at www.biloxischools.net.

Thank you, Marcus Bandream

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