



IVY HILL PREPARATORY CHARTER SCHOOL

October 22, 2020

Dear Members of the **Ivy Hill Prep** Community,

We hope this letter finds you and your families safe, healthy, and well. I'm writing to provide an update for you as it relates to the spread of COVID-19 in our community, and how that spread impacts Ivy Hill Prep's in-person instruction.

COVID-19 Update

On October 21, 2020, Governor Cuomo realigned the cluster zone maps in Brooklyn and Queens. The State of New York determined that our school remains in a geographic zone, the "yellow zone," that requires weekly testing due to elevated rates of transmission in the area. **Weekly testing of students and staff is mandatory for schools in the yellow zone**, and will continue until the State modifies or lifts the zone requirements. You can find a map of the City's zones at www.nyc.gov/covidzone.

Ivy Hill Prep's Next Steps

We are currently in communication with New York City's Department of Health to gather more information regarding this testing mandate. This information is imperative for us to create and potentially adopt a testing plan as an organization.

Ivy Hill Prep will remain remote for the remainder of October, and will communicate next steps with all in-person families in the upcoming week.

As we navigate this unprecedented time, we will continue to offer high-quality instruction for all of our students. While doing so, our primary concern continues to be the safety and wellbeing of our staff and students.

We thank you for your partnership as we continue to make the best choices for our students and staff. We look forward to another week of online instruction with our 180 committed and dedicated children!

Brick by Brick,

Ambrosia Johnson

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