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Dear Clear View Community:

As many of us start to plan for fall and winter holiday celebrations, it is worth keeping in mind ways we can minimize risk of contracting COVID-19 and transmitting it to our families, friends, and our school community.

We know that there are three primary ways to stop or at least limit the spread of the virus: **mask wearing, social distancing (6 ft. or more), and keeping gatherings outdoors**. In addition, conscientious hygiene, surface cleaning, and hand washing are very important.

As such, if you will be hosting a celebration -- or if you or your family will be attending one -- stick to outdoor activities rather than indoor activities as much as possible. If an outdoor event is not possible, and you choose to host or participate in an indoor event, avoid crowded, poorly ventilated, or fully enclosed indoor spaces. Increase ventilation by opening windows and doors to the extent that is safe and feasible based on the weather. Host activities with only people from your local area as much as possible. Limit numbers of attendees as much as possible.

In addition, if you will be traveling for the holidays, wear a mask in public settings, like on public and mass transportation, at events and gatherings, and anywhere you will be around other people, avoid close contact by staying at least 6 feet apart from anyone who is not from your household, and wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer (with at least 60% alcohol).

While celebrations for many of us will look different this year than in previous years, there are still creative ways to have fun and festive experiences while keeping the above-mentioned guidelines in mind, keeping activities to our households and close family, gathering with friends and loved ones online, and staying outdoors as much as possible.

Happy and safe holidays to all