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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope this correspondence finds you well and you are enjoying your summer. The Sussex County Charter School for Technology will be fully open for in-person instruction for the 2021-2022 academic year. We are looking forward to welcoming students back on September 7th.

### **Masks**

In a briefing on August 9, 2021, Governor Murphy announced his directive regarding the use of masks upon the opening of the 2021-2022 school year, which, in part, provides that: **“All students, educators, staff, and visitors will be required to wear masks inside a school building regardless of vaccination status for the start of the 2021-2022 academic year.”** Governor Murphy’s directive was codified in Executive Order 215. Therefore, unless and until Governor Murphy rescinds or amends Executive Order 215, **all students, staff and visitors of the Charter School will be required to wear masks.** If a child forgets their mask a mask will be provided. Be advised that if your child refuses to wear a mask in school as required, your child will be sent home.

### **Chromebooks**

All students will be issued a school chromebook on the first day of school. Students will be taking home their chromebooks and chargers each night. Students’ Chromebooks should be charged and brought to school each day. Chromebooks are for school purposes only and not for recreational use. Please report any chromebook damage to the main office as soon as possible.

### **2021-22 School Calendar**

To view the 2021-22 school calendar, please click [here](#). The first day of school for students is September 7th, 2021.

### **6th Grade Orientation**

Orientation will take place on Monday, August 30th from 11:00-1:00 for all incoming 6th grade students. More information to follow.

## **Schedules/ Accessing the Realtime Parent Portal**

Realtime is our student information system. Realtime parent portals. This feature will allow you to view school information at any time through the internet, including your child's schedule and grades throughout the school year, using the link: <http://www.fridayparentportal.com/sussexcharter>. If your child is a returning student, the login has not changed, however you will need to change the school year to 2021-2022. If your child is new to SCCST, you will receive a letter in the mail with the login information as soon as possible.

## **Soccer/ Cross Country**

If your child is interested in Soccer or Cross Country for this fall, be sure to have an updated sports physical. Any questions concerning Cross Country or Soccer contact the coaches:

Cross Country: Courtney Graziano [cgraziano@sussexcharter.org](mailto:cgraziano@sussexcharter.org)

Soccer: Nick Fialcowitz: [nfialcowitz@sussexcharter.org](mailto:nfialcowitz@sussexcharter.org)

## **Physicals and Immunizations**

To keep your child and all students in the state of New Jersey safe and healthy, students must have an up-to-date immunization certification and a current physical examination on file with the school to attend in person. If your child has not received the necessary immunizations or had a physical exam within 365 days of September 7th, 2021, please make an appointment with your child's health care provider immediately. Proof of a pending medical appointment will provide provisional status for your child to attend school. It is critically important that students are fully immunized before returning to school to prevent the spread of more infectious diseases. Immunizations are the best defense against some of the most common and sometimes deadly infectious diseases. To learn more about childhood vaccines, visit [cdc.gov/vaccines/parents](https://cdc.gov/vaccines/parents).

## **School Supply List**

Many parents have asked for a school supply list. While we have no formal supply list and supplies are not mandatory, the following is a list of general school supplies for your child:

- Notebooks (1 per subject)
- Headphones/Earbuds
- Pens/Pencils
- Expo Markers
- A carrying case for their Chromebook
- A refillable water bottle

If at any point you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Mr. Bell: [mbell@sussexcharter.org](mailto:mbell@sussexcharter.org) or Mrs. Lazariuk: [nlazariuk@sussexcharter.org](mailto:nlazariuk@sussexcharter.org)