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To Our Green Chimneys Families,

In response to the frequent health notices and the need to share other critical information, Green Chimneys is changing its procedure for reporting positive COVID cases.

Regular updates to families will continue but will now be posted on the parent COVID information page on our website at <u>www.greenchimneys.org/therapeutic-special-</u> <u>education/parents-families/announcements/virus-update</u>. You will be able to access the latest information regarding cases on Green Chimneys' campuses, as needed. Updates will be posted by 5pm each day.

This posted report does not replace individual family notification of a child's potential COVID exposure. We will continue to communicate directly if your child is believed to be a contact of a positive case.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to monitor and manage the health and safety of our students and staff; we continue to follow all guidelines and recommendations from the Putnam County Department of Health. We will also continue to communicate any changes to Green Chimneys policy and/or local and state guidelines. You will find information on all policies and procedures in the School Operating Plan at www.greenchimneys.org/therapeutic-special-education/parents-families/announcements/school-reopening-plan.

We ask that you stay vigilant in maintaining best practices with your child. Maintaining safe physical distancing; wearing a mask at all times while indoors; diligent hand washing; and sanitizing are our best defense against exposure. It is possible to contract COVID, regardless of vaccination status.

If your child develops any symptoms, contact your child's health care provider as soon as possible. **If your child tests positive for COVID-19**, please call the Green Chimneys Health Center at 845.279.2995 ext. 253.

We look forward to returning to in-person instruction soon and will keep you informed of dates. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Thank you and stay well,

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