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Dear HGS Families,

Happy Halloween! We are looking forward to having everyone back at HGS for in-person learning tomorrow, Monday November 1, 2021.

As a reminder, <u>facemasks</u> will be required for all students, <u>staff</u> and <u>visitors</u> while indoors at HGS (and on the bus). Masking is not required outside and regular mask breaks will be in place.

The Hancock School Committee will meet bi-weekly to review the current status of COVID-19 cases associated with the school. Facemasks will be required for 21 calendar days following the last detected positive case at HGS.

Please continue to monitor your child for COVID 19 symptoms. COVID-19 is a respiratory virus that ranges from mild to severe. It can be more severe in adults 60 years and older and in those with underlying conditions. The virus mainly spreads when an infected individual coughs or sneezes and an uninfected individual breathes in the virus. It is important all staff and students complete a daily health screening, prior to coming school, and stay home if they are experiencing one or more of the symptoms listed below.

Signs and symptoms include:

Fever (100.4 F/38 C or higher) or chills	Cough
Sore Throat	New loss of taste or smell
Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing	Confusion
Blue/gray-tinged skin/lips/nail beds	Muscle pain
Nausea or vomiting	Diarrhea
Fatigue	Headache
Congestion/Runny Nose	Inability to wake or stay awake

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