

UNION COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

"Education to Meet Tomorrow's Challenges"

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Good Afternoon Knights,

Mother Nature has decided to remind us that it is winter. Keep your eyes on the horizon, spring isn't too far away, enjoy the time we have indoors. It might be a great time to get the board games out, put a puzzle together, learn a new card game or read a good book. I encourage everyone to build in some quiet time with family. Find the good and take advantage of these cold and snowy days.

Here is our weekly update regarding our school district's current COVID-19 data. We will continue to gather and monitor data from county websites, county public health, and locally generate reports. (Our building data this week is based on this past Wednesday's numbers.)

Current data points as of today:

- Positivity Rates (14 day rolling averages)
 - Black Hawk County- 8% (down from 10%)
 - Tama County- 7% (down from 8%)
 - Benton County- 10% (up from 8%)
 - Buchanan County- 8% (steady at 8%)
- Iowa Department of Public Health Document
 - Current Conditions- Minimal to Moderate
- Current Number of Positive Staff & Student Cases- 6 (down from 9)
- Current Number of Students in Quarantine- 23 (down from 31)
- Current Number of K-12 Students Involved in Remote Learning- 20 (down from 21) (These are families who chose remote learning as their personal preference, not because their family has COVID)
- Average District Attendance Rate- 93.7% (down from 92.6%)
Currently, average daily attendance "includes" quarantine students, we are tracking all of these students separately as well.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact your student's building principal or myself with any questions that you may have regarding our school district's plan or for other information.

Take Care & Go Knights!

Travis Fleshner, Superintendent