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## Superintendent's Update – November 4, 2020

Dear Botetourt County Students, Staff, Parents, and Community:

I hope this update finds you safe and well! As you may already know, our community and health region is experiencing a spike in positive COVID-19 cases. In light of this recent trend, I would like to inform you of a few changes to the division <u>homepage</u>.

The *Return to School* site has been renamed to *COVID Information*, and includes a dashboard that provides historical data regarding COVID cases in Botetourt County Public Schools. This information will be updated at the conclusion of each week. Beneath the dashboard you will find the following links: *COVID-19 in Virginia, School Metrics*, and *Outbreaks*. These links will provide up-to-date COVID information from the Virginia Department of Health (VDH). I hope you will find these resources helpful.

Staff and student health and safety is our priority. Please remain vigilant as we all strive to limit the spread of the virus by following recommended CDC guidelines. We appreciate your efforts to keep our schools and community healthy.

Sincerely,

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