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To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads, Administrators

of Approved Private Schools for Students with Disabilities, Administrators of Nonpublic Schools

Route To: School Physicians, School Nurses

From: Jorden Schiff, Assistant Commissioner

Division of Field Support and Services

Reminder: Communicable Disease Reporting and Surveillance System

Pursuant to New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) <u>Executive Directive #21-011</u>, all schools must now enroll in the Surveillance for Influenza and COVID-19 (SIC) Module in the Communicable Disease Reporting and Surveillance System (CDRSS), available at https://cdrs.doh.state.nj.us/. On a weekly basis, after enrollment, schools must report data into the SIC module.

In response to frequently asked questions that NJDOH'S Communicable Disease Service (CDS) has received from reporting schools, the <u>updated guidance document</u> contains information (shaded in yellow), concerning the requirement to report, even if the school is closed and/or if there are no new cases, and instructions on how instances of no new cases or no testing conducted should be reported. For additional information or guidance, contact CDS.COV.RPT@doh.nj.gov.

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