



## Calhoun County Public Schools

Dr. Steve Aaron Wilson

*Superintendent*

Dear Parents and Guardians:

With the upcoming holiday season, many of us are looking forward to the time to gather with family and friends. Calhoun County Public Schools District is asking everyone to be aware of several points that we feel are important and recommended by DHEC and CDC.

1. Do not travel if you or anyone in your household or anyone at your destination is sick.
2. Check the CDC website at [https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#cases\\_casesper100klast7days](https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#cases_casesper100klast7days) to see each state's cases in the last 7 days and the SC DHEC website at <https://scdhec.gov/covid19/south-carolina-county-level-data-covid-19> to see current cases for each county in South Carolina.
3. Also, since different counties, states, and countries have different requirements or restrictions in place, check state, territorial, tribal and local public health websites for information before you travel. If you are traveling internationally, check the destination's Office of Foreign Affairs or Ministry of Health or the US Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Country Information page for details about entry requirements and restrictions for arriving travelers, such as mandatory testing or quarantine.
4. Avoid public transportation if possible.
5. Maintain social distancing. Stay 6 feet away from anyone not in your immediate household at all times.
6. Wear a mask. A mask helps to protect others from any germs you may have, so by having everyone wear a mask, the risk of spreading something is decreased. Remember, you can be asymptomatic and still be sick.
7. Wash your hands frequently with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds or use a hand sanitizer that is FDA approved for COVID.
8. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
9. Avoid large gatherings, especially indoors.
10. Limit the amount of time you are gathered around other people. Gatherings that last longer pose more risk than shorter gatherings. Being within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more greatly increases the risk of becoming sick and would then require a 14-day quarantine.

If you plan on hosting family or friends for a holiday event, the above information is still helpful. Please share the information with any family or friends who plan to visit.

Additional travel information can be found at the following websites:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-during-covid19.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html>

<https://scdhec.gov/covid19/resources-community-covid-19/travelers-covid-19>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Wilson", written in a cursive style.

Dr. Steve A. Wilson, Superintendent