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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT

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TO ALL PRINCIPALS

Principals:

As we rapidly approach the holiday season, we felt compelled to request that you remind students and employees that we continue in the season of the COVID-19 Pandemic with high expectation of a possible twindemic (flu and COVID-19) forthcoming as winter approaches. Students and employees must be reminded to continue to practice safety protocols: frequent hand washing, use of face coverings, physical distancing.

The CDC reminds us that large gatherings are not recommended. Even gathering in small groups can be dangerous. The Florida Health Department, the CDC and the Archdiocese of Miami strongly recommend small, outdoor celebrations that integrate the aforementioned protocols. Each of us must make the effort to preserve the health and safety of ourselves and others. We must be especially mindful of those in our homes and communities who are part of highly vulnerable populations - - - those with compromising health conditions, the elderly, those who are physically handicapped and/or mentally challenged.

Finally, mindful of the dangerous times in which we live, let us be prayerful for each other, for our families and communities, and for the world in which we live.

May we each be enveloped in the unfathomable love and protection of the Lord whom we love and serve.

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