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Hello TCCS Community,

As you are aware, we are well into the Autumn season and the outdoor temperatures are steadily trending downwards. With that being said, I want to address the topic of outdoor lunch and recess, as weather will have an impact on these practices as we move into the winter months.

While outdoor dining is a suggested preventative measure for reducing the potential risks of Covid-19 transmission in school, we must balance that risk with student comfort, safety, and logistics during lunch and recess. As a result, decisions regarding lunch and recess locations will be made on a daily basis and may often differ from one another. As you know, we have always made sure to provide outdoor recess for as long as possible to give students the opportunity for fresh air and exercise. With our current indoor mask mandates, we feel that providing those opportunities to students is even more important than it has ever been.

So, as we transition into winter, I ask that you please be sure to continue to send your students to school with appropriate outdoor weather gear (hats, gloves, coats) EVERY day. Decisions regarding lunch and recess locations will be made on a daily basis - factoring in temperature, precipitation, wind, cloud coverage, and our "real feel" assessment of the conditions.

A definitive decision will be made on a daily basis by 10am and will be posted on the TCCS website at an easily accessed button on the homepage. You can also access the daily report directly at <https://bit.ly/tccsrlr>.

Thank you for your cooperation and support, as we continue to do all that we can to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our entire community. Feel free to contact me at rgallo@tccsnj.org with any questions and have a great day!

Best Regards,

Ralph Gallo
Lead Person / Director