



Charles City
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January 10, 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are reaching out to you to let you know that we are experiencing higher COVID-19 positivity rates in our local communities. In an attempt to keep the individuals safe, we continue to evaluate and make daily decisions regarding individuals going out into the community and to our day programs.

At this point, we have determined our positivity rate threshold to be at 18% using the CDC-COVID Tracker (7day positivity rate). However, some counties are following their local COVID-19 positivity rate tracking mechanisms.

Sadly, due to the high positivity rate in our areas, the determination has been made to not participate in Special Olympics this year. Please be mindful that these numbers are changing rapidly in our local communities. If you wish to visit your loved one's area, please call ahead and discuss this with the area manager so that you can make an informed decision on the visit. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to the manager of the area where your loved one lives or attends day programming. Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan J. Becker".

Ryan Becker, LBSW
Associate Director