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November 18, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians and Faculty and Staff:

It has come to our attention that many families have opted out of SchoolMessenger voice messages and were unable to hear yesterday's announcement regarding our operations status. The following is a synopsis of yesterday's communication.

Due to the uptick in positive COVID-19 cases in the town and school district, as well as, many staff and students currently on quarantine, we will be moving to full remote learning as of **Monday, November 23, 2020**.

I am very hopeful that this notification provides time for our families to prepare for Monday's shift to remote learning, as well as, the potential that returning to in-person learning may take longer for us to achieve. It is our hope that the health metrics trend lower, our school-based cases decrease, and our staffing levels improve. We will monitor this over the next week and a half before making a decision about what will happen for Monday, November 30th.

I look forward to our conference calls on Friday.

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Van Tasel Superintendent of Schools