December 11, 2020

Dear Centennial Staff, Parents, and Guardians,

This letter is to inform you that on Wednesday, December 16th, Centennial School will shift to full virtual instruction for all students. We will implement this remote learning schedule from December 16th through at least January 8, 2021. During the week of January 4th, we will evaluate Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH) data and recommendations. If deemed safe to reopen, we will return to in-person instruction on Monday, January 11th.

Given the immense amount of community spread of COVID-19 and the latest guidance from the Pennsylvania Department of Education (DOE) and DOH, the difficult decision to shift to remote learning is necessary at this time. As school leaders, we are tasked with the responsibility of balancing both the safety and educational needs of our students. We take both of these responsibilities seriously. It is our hope that implementation of this short-term remote learning schedule will allow us to continue to safely educate our students while reducing the possibility of spreading the virus at school.

Additional information from your child’s teacher about schedule and programming will be shared with you on Monday, December 14th. During this period of virtual learning, please continue to communicate your child’s pertinent health information to our school nurse, Maggie Ciliberti at macb19@lehigh.edu, who will assist you with guidance.

I know this decision is not an easy one for our students and families to accommodate. To say the least, it is a challenging time for all of us. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

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