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Message from the Superintendent

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Blended/Hybrid Instructional Model of Learning for entire District Effective December 2, 2020 - January 22, 2021

We continue to empathize with all of you during these most difficult times. Being, remaining, or learning to be flexible is requested for all of us. We are trying to provide the safest learning environment we can, as timely as we can. We will continue to empathize with all the changes and adjustments we make that impact your daily lives and schedules. We understand consistency would help, that is one of the factors that have led us to conclude to use our blended/hybrid model of learning to finish out the 2nd quarter.

Huntingdon County continues at a substantial level of community transmission. In our experiences thus far, the blended/hybrid model provides the best balance between academic, social, and emotional support and safety. We continue to monitor our internal case counts (14 days) and communicate at the building level for positivity and close contacts (you can find any update for the buildings on our website under the schools tab). Having the red and blue group allows us to maximize social distancing as well as minimize close contacts and the spread of the virus. It is the safest for our children, staff and families. At this time the following factors have been considered to utilize our blended/hybrid model of learning at all levels, K-12. Consistent increased levels of community transmission, holiday gatherings and travel, hunting season and gatherings, input from school psychologists, declining availability of substitutes, input from local physicians, input on daily average of hospitalizations related to covid 19, and requests for a consistent model of learning.

The next page has our schedule by week for the entire district:

Here is our Blended/Hybrid Weekly Schedule and the days for in person learning

	M	T	W	T	F
11/30-12/4	Thanksgiving Vacation	Thanksgiving Vacation	Blue - K-12	Blue - K-12	Blue-K-12
12/7-12/11	Red - K-12	MS & Elem - Red - K-8 HS - <u>Independent</u> Keystone Exams	MS & Elem- Red - K-8 HS - <u>Independent</u> Keystone Exams	MS & Elem - Blue - K-8 HS - <u>Independent</u> Keystone Exams	Blue - K-12
12/14-12/18	Red - K-12	Red - K-12	Blue - K-12	Blue - K-12	Blue - K-12
12/21-12/25	Red - K-12	Red - K-12	Blue - K-12 Early Dismissal	Winter Break	Winter Break
12/28-1/1	Winter Break	Winter Break	Winter Break	Winter Break	Winter Break
1/4-1/8	Red - K-12	Red - K-12	Blue - K-12	Blue - K-12	Blue - K-12
1/11-1/15	Red - K-12	Red - K-12	Red - K-12	Blue - K-12	Blue - K-12
1/18-1/22	Act 80 Day	Red - K-12	Blue - K-12 Last Day of Semester 1	Blue - K-12	Blue - K-12

***HCCTC Learners will attend the CTC all five days**

If there are any adjustments to the buildings schedule, they will be provided by the building. For example, the high school has keystone exams and their schedule the week of 12/7/20 will be different and communicated from the high school administration.

We wish you all the safest and happiest of holidays.

Fred Foster
Superintendent