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Message from the Superintendent

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Board review of model of instruction for Monday, October 19, 2020

Dear Parents, children and staff:

As of 11:55 am on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 the Huntingdon County level of community transmission table has not been released. With anticipation and expectation of moving from low to moderate and due to our board work session discussion Monday night, I wanted to provide the following update.

There will be a special board meeting tomorrow night, Wednesday October 14, 2020 at 6:30 pm to consider approval to extend the 100%, full in person model of learning another two (2) weeks or possibly until the end of the first quarter. We would continue to review the level of community transmission which is county data, but also add and assess our local data to make a decision.

We recognize the many complexities we are dealing with, certainly transitioning the learning model of instruction every 2 weeks adds to that complexity for many. We recognize the benefit and risk of 100% full in person learning and right now we feel it is worth reviewing to consider to stay 100% for an additional time. Our intent would be to notify all families on Wednesday evening of the decision and what our learning model will be for Monday, October 19.

While we will use data from the level of county transmission, we will also use daily data provided to us from local EMA and the continued communication from our families and staff as they are notified of cases that may impact our learning environment. We all want learning to take place in person as safely as possible. We also know we MUST wear face covering, wash our hands, keep 6' of social distance to the maximum extent possible, check daily our health symptoms and when we are not feeling well, stay home. These measures, when used with fidelity, will assist us in our ability to consider staying in person 100%.

Thank you,
Fred Foster, Superintendent