



# FENNVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Greetings Fennville Families:

We appreciate the support and cooperation of the Fennville Public School community in our efforts to keep our students and staff safe from COVID-19. We also appreciate the excellent cooperation and work completion by our students during the week of remote learning following Thanksgiving.

When we chose the week of remote learning for all grades after Thanksgiving, it was based on the potential for spread as families gathered for Thanksgiving. A number of students and staff members did have exposure, and some came down with COVID-19 following Thanksgiving break. The fact that we were learning and working remotely prevented these individuals from spreading the virus at school. Looking forward to winter break and gatherings for Christmas and New Year's, we think it will be wise to have one more scheduled week of remote learning for all grades.

Because of the likely increase in exposure over the holidays, all of Fennville Public Schools will switch to remote learning for the week of January 4-8 immediately following the winter break. Athletic practices and contests will not be held that week. Tech Center classes will be remote. We are announcing this now to give staff and families time to plan for this temporary change.

This decision is supported by the Allegan County Health Department as a preventative measure. We believe that without this brief period of remote learning we will be forced to suspend in-person instruction for a longer period of time due to illness. We acknowledge that this week will cause challenges for some families, however we believe that this decision will ultimately result in less time away from in-person learning in the future.

The in-person days between now and winter break are important as preparation for the upcoming week of remote learning. Watch for more information from your child's building or teacher in the coming week about how instruction will be delivered remotely.

Once again thank you for your flexibility and support of Fennville Public Schools!

Sincerely,

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