

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO - Remote Learning Extended through January 22nd

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Good afternoon CMSD Educators,

As you know, Cuyahoga County, Ohio and most of the country are experiencing the most severe spike of coronavirus since the beginning of this pandemic. Public health experts anticipate this spike will continue to worsen through the holidays and into January, and possibly through February before finally beginning to subside in early spring when COVID-19 vaccines are expected to begin reaching our communities.

For this reason, and based on continuous monitoring of public health data in Cleveland and across Ohio I am recommending that CMSD continue in a remote learning environment for most students for balance of the second quarter, ending on January 22nd. This recommendation also takes into account public health advisories, consultations with public health officials, feedback provided by our parents, caregivers and educators, and participation data on our current remote learning model.

Public health officials also advise that February may be very challenging for our community, and for this reason, my team and I will continue to monitor public health data with a plan to announce a decision in early January about our learning environment for the first half of the third quarter.

As we continue to work together in this remote learning environment, please again use this opportunity to offer our students and families the various supports available to them through the District. For your convenience, I've attached the support postcard that was mailed to homes earlier this year. More support information is also posted on the district's website at www.clevelandmetroschools.org/reopeningCMSD.

Finally, I want to remind all CMSD Educators of the critical importance of following all health and safety protocols. Every employee is expected to wear their mask over their nose and mouth at any time they are in eyesight of any other individual. Employees must also maintain social distancing of at least six feet. And employees should practice frequent handwashing, using soap and water for at least 20 seconds each time. Hand sanitizer is also a good secondary sanitation strategy.

Thank you for continuing to work closely with our scholars, families and caregivers, and your fellow educators.

Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,
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