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Dear Highland Elementary Families,

We are writing with important information about teaching and learning through the days to come. Reflecting our commitment to the health and safety of our students, staff and their families, Highland Elementary will temporarily transition to fully remote learning through this Friday, Oct. 30.

This week, we received reports of four new individuals testing positive for COVID-19, a total of seven cases identified since Oct. 20. Our contact tracing team has investigated each case. Anyone who was identified as a close contact received direct communication and guidance. We know with community transmission of the virus that cases will be identified in staff or students who attend our school. We have many layers of precautions in place to limit spread. Still, as an additional precaution and to allow time for a very thorough disinfecting of our school, all students will learn at home through the end of this week.

The remote school day will proceed on schedule Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Yellow cohort students will attend live remote instruction all day. Blue group and remote learners may stay on after the morning meeting if they choose, or access on-demand lessons as they planned. School meals will be available for pick up through the Meals2Go program from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Indian Hill, Gilder or another nearby elementary school. If students are not in the vehicle to collect meals, a parent or guardian will need verification like a report card.

We plan to return with students in the blue A-K group on Monday, Nov. 2 and will communicate any updates if that changes. As a reminder, this transition to fully remote instruction is **only** for Highland Elementary students and staff. All other students will continue with their regular Family 3/2 schedule.

Though I am limited in what I can share due to privacy concerns, we are here to assist your family. Please do not hesitate to keep in touch. We are here for your family. We understand this is a very unique time with many challenges and we truly appreciate your partnership.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kerri Murtaugh  
Principal

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