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Learning Today...Leading Tomorrow

Lanesboro Schools Families,

Working with Public Health and our COVID Response Team this weekend we have come to the conclusion that the numbers of active cases of the coronavirus in Fillmore County necessitates a change to our learning model at the Middle/High School level. We have been very fortunate for several weeks to not have an impact on our school with positive cases, however, with the amount of community spread now documented we feel that a shift to distance learning for our 7th to 12th grade students is warranted.

We will continue our normal model of all students in grades K-12 attending school this week on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Beginning on Thursday our 7th to 12th grade students will move to a distance model for two weeks. With our four-period days, students will be responsible for those four classes each day we are in the distance model. Students will receive more information this week regarding their responsibilities. The three days will allow teachers the opportunity to help students prepare and ensure all learning materials that are required are taken home by Wednesday afternoon.

At this time we are planning for a two-week distance learning period with students returning to our in-person hybrid model on Thursday December 3rd. On Sunday November 29th you will receive another communication from us confirming whether or not the positive case numbers have improved enough for us to return to in-person instruction. Some families will have questions regarding the continuation of athletics and activities. At this time we are choosing to move to a distance model for instruction and public health feels we can continue offering activities and athletics. There may be changes to spectator rules which families will be notified of. All of these decisions are tentative and can be modified at any time depending on the spread of the virus in not only our community but communities surrounding us.

For families of 7th to 12th grade students that want to participate in the school meal program, we will be distributing meals once each week from 11:00 to 1:00 on the following days: November 19th, November 23rd, and November 30th. Please notify Aimee Stettler at aimeestettler@lanesboroschools.com by 4:00pm on Tuesday, November 17th if you wish to participate. The information she will need includes the number of students, lunches, and breakfasts for students in 7th to 12th grade you will need.

At this time, students in Kindergarten through 6th grade will continue with our in-person hybrid classroom model. We ask that you monitor your student's health closely during this time, completing the daily health checks, checking their temperatures, and ensuring that they have their masks when they leave the house each day. Please remind your students to continue washing their hands regularly, keep appropriate distancing, and to wear their masks on the bus and at school. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Matt Schultz, Superintendent Lanesboro Schools