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Dear Middle School Parents,

As a community, we have so much to be thankful for at this time of year. For those families who have experienced hardships over the past six months, we hope for better days ahead for you and your loved ones. With regard to our schools, the fact that we have remained open and our social distancing measures are working to mitigate and minimize the spread of Covid among our faculty and students, is a significant accomplishment.

Moving forward, as we come into what is seemingly going to be another season that sees a rise in positive cases, we are being proactive in preparing for the possibility of another closure by the New York State Governor's office. Remote learning in the event of a full closure period for Middle School students will be as follows:

Grade 5: Livestreamed instruction with homeroom teachers for 75 – 90 minutes between the hours of 8:00am – 10:00am. (Fully remote students will continue to meet with Ms. Troutman and Mr. Stein as per their original schedules.)

Grade 6: Livestreamed instruction with homeroom teachers for 90 minutes between the hours of 10:00am – 12:00pm. (Fully remote students will continue to meet with Ms. Campbell and Mr. Stein as per their original schedules.)

Grades 7 & 8: Livestreamed instruction with teachers according to student's period by period schedule. Attendance on Google Meets is a requirement for each course for seat time. (In some project based or other courses approved by building administration, based on teacher recommendation and student preference, pre-recorded videos may also be utilized.)

All Special Education and Academic Intervention Services will be livestreamed according to each student's in-person school schedule. If there is a conflict with Grade 5 and 6 schedules above, teachers will contact parents and adjust these services accordingly.

Also, we will be making meals available to any students who need them for breakfast and lunch daily. Drive-up Meal Service for all schools will be served from one location, the High School Main Entrance, as it was during the previous school closure. Pick up days will be Monday through Friday between the hours of 10:00 am – 12:00 pm for both meals.

I am optimistic that we will be returning to school after the holiday breaks with a renewed sense of safety and health precaution measures that keep our schools open with in-person attendance. Any parents who chose fully remote instruction, at the start of the school year and wishes to have their child return in-person at the end of the second semester, please email the building Principal or your child's Guidance Counselor by January 8, 2021.

Sincerely,



Elizabeth E. Hine

Principal

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