

CENTERVILLE CSD

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Dear Parents, Staff, and Community,

As you know, Centerville High School and Howar Middle School students have been in the Hybrid Model since November 17, 2020, and PK-5 students have been in the On-Site Learning Model. As expressed in my communication on November 13, 2020, we have continued to monitor our community and school district COVID-19 numbers to determine how we will return to learn after winter vacation on Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

Because of the reports and trends and after a significant amount of thought and deliberation, we have determined that after the upcoming holidays and Winter Break, we will continue in the Hybrid Model for grades 6-12 on January 5, 2021. We are pleased that absentee numbers related to COVID-19 have improved over the past several weeks for our students and staff. While we are encouraged to have fewer of our students and staff absent, we also realize that we still have a ways to go before this disease is behind us and we can proceed on with our lives in a more normal manner.

In moving forward, it is the district's intention to have all of our students in grades 6-12 return to the On-Site Learning Model (face to face) on Monday, January 18, 2021. At that time, students in grades 6-12 will move from the current Hybrid Model and students in grades PK-5 will continue with the On-Site Learning Model they have been in since the beginning of the school year.

We are committed to continue monitoring COVID-19 related absences & illnesses for both students and staff with the best hope that these absences will remain at a level that makes the On-Site Learning Model possible for all students. If the district begins to observe increased COVID-19 related absences for students and/or staff, it may be necessary to consider staying in the Hybrid Model.

We continue to ask for your help to maintain mitigation practices that help slow the spread of COVID-19. Health professionals continue to urge all of us to wash our hands, wear a mask, watch your social distance and stay home when we are not feeling well.

The cooperation of each student, parent, employee, and community member is necessary as we all work together through this pandemic. We appreciate everyone's continued support.

Sincerely,

Tom Rubel Superintendent

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