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Dear Students, Parents, Staff and Community members,

Even though we are having an incredible stretch of warm weather, we know that inclement weather could be around any corner. So, in this time of Covid-19 what will we do? If we have conditions that are determined to be too treacherous for our busses and staff members we will go to a "Fully Remote Learning" day. In the next couple of weeks our schools will be working on exactly what that will look like and we will have "Storm Packs" with both food and instructions. For those of you who love the "Traditional Snow Day" don't worry! If we have a blizzard or storm that shuts down most everything, including threatening our utilities, we will call "No School." This will be a day we will most likely make up in June. So listen/read carefully when the Alert comes "Remote Learning Day" or "No School."

With positive Covid-19 cases surging in Maine we are fortunate (and want to continue) to be "Green" in Oxford Co. We want to stay in school!

- Please continue to follow the 6 guidelines found at this link:  
<https://www.maine.gov/doe/framework/part-1/#6r>.
- During the upcoming holiday, please remember if you travel beyond NH, VT or MA you must quarantine for 14 days upon your return or get a negative test within 72 hours of your return. This applies to any students and staff who come into our schools.
- If you are exposed to a positive case you must quarantine for 14 days regardless of a negative Covid-19 test.
- November 30th is the next date that students who are "Fully Remote Learning" may come back to "In-person Learning." Please complete the survey or call your school by Friday, November 13th.

We are committed to keeping our schools as one of the safest places to be.

Our School Board meetings are now on Zoom for anyone and everyone to see live. You may also attend meetings in-person if you have comments for our entire Board OR you may write/email our Board members. We will record our meetings, and they will be posted on our RSU 10 Facebook. Here is the Zoom link: <https://networkmaine.zoom.us/j/84881893506> You will also find the Zoom Link on our Website as well as individual staff and School Board member contact information. We encourage and appreciate communication!

Finally, don't forget tomorrow is Veteran's Day and not just a day off, so thank a Veteran for their service.

Sincerely,

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