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Dear School Community,

Veteran's Day

Veteran's Day is tomorrow and our schools have worked together to make a tribute video to honor our area Veterans and Fallen Heroes. Our video will be launched on our website at 11:11 a.m. tomorrow, 11-11-2020. To get a copy of the video please email Jessica Gardner at jessica.gardner@pineriver.org

Calendar Change

In order to maximize in-session days, the Board approved a calendar change at last night's Board meeting to make November 18, December 2, December 9, December 16, and January 13 half days. This change will give teachers much-needed time to collaborate and create on-line and off-line resources for students who are in quarantine. Students will eat lunch and then be dismissed at 10:55 a.m. at the elementary and 11:15 from the middle school-high school. Teachers will stay at school and work independently on-site and in grade-level and discipline-area teams as they seek ways to reach more students and keep us open as a school district. Students will have the chance to go home and log in to Google classroom or explore a take-home packet.

Vigilance and Flexibility

Pine River is committed to staying open for face-to-face learning as long as possible and as such, we are meeting in building groups to work on lessons learned from our own two-day closure earlier this fall and from last week's spike in quarantined students. Contact tracing and making phone calls to students and staff takes time and we thank you for working so closely with us during this extreme time in our history.

Despite the challenges brought to us by COVID-19, we believe with everyone's continued flexibility, patience, and cooperation, that we can provide a quality education. Together we make a difference; together, we prepare students for life.

Sincerely,

Matt Lukshaitis
Superintendent