FELICITY-FRANKLIN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Good Afternoon, Cardinal Families.

I hope this communication finds you and your families safe and well.

After Governor DeWine's address Wednesday and US Grant's decision to switch to remote learning until the Thanksgiving break, I feel like a local update is in order.

It is true that over the last two weeks we have seen positive COVID test results, as well as individuals identified as "close contacts" within the school district. Our nurse, Tiffany Peron, and our district administrators have worked closely with Clermont County Health Department and have followed all required protocols and notification requirements.

With that said, I have to compliment and say thank you to our students and staff for all they do every day to make Felicity Schools a safe place for students to learn and teachers to work. It is their continued commitment to diligently wearing masks and promoting social distancing that allows us to keep students coming to school every day.

I also want to thank our parents and our community for their continued efforts. As a public school district, our students reflect what is happening in our community. While we have seen a number of cases, Felicity continues to maintain a low percentage of cases when compared to the districts around us.

I know there are a multitude of questions/concerns around our district moving to remote learning. Please know there is no current intent or scheduled date for the district to move to remote learning for our students. We know that students learn and progress more academically when they are in our buildings. The district is committed to keeping our students attending daily as long as the situation permits. But, once again, this falls on all of us to promote and implement all recommended safety practices as they relate to the COVID-19 virus.

As a school and as a community we are dealing with information and circumstances that change on a daily basis. The challenges this presents are extraordinary. Patience and flexibility of students, staff, and families are needed now more than ever before. Please be assured that Felicity Schools will continue its commitment to providing a high quality educational experience for our students in a safe environment.

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