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You may have heard news reports about the Michigan Supreme Court decision finding Governor Whitmer's executive orders related to the COVID-19 pandemic no longer valid. We are seeking legal clarification surrounding the impact on schools. We have worked with educational leaders and stakeholders within local and state government as well as experts in the health field to adopt policy for our school district that prioritizes the safety for all of our students and staff, as well as their families for the 2020-21 school year.

Based upon legal opinion and the opinion of our Health Department, until we receive additional guidance from lawful authority, we will be maintaining our current plan as written in our Return to Learn Plan. This plan was approved by the Board of Education and was required by legislation in August not required under executive order. We will continue to seek guidance from our legislature, Michigan Department of Education and our local health department in the days and weeks to come. We ask that you respectfully continue partnering with us in finding the balance in providing a safe learning environment and education for all our students during this health crisis.

If you have any questions as we work through challenges during these extraordinary times, please feel free to contact me via email lmorrow@mantonschools.org or by phone (231) 824-6411.

Respectfully,

Mr. Leonard Morrow Superintendent Manton Consolidated Schools