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Dear RSU 57 Community,

Thank you all for your patience and understanding as we navigate these challenging times together. Given the progression of events and subsequent communications, we thought it would be helpful to offer a district-wide update as it relates to operations at each of our schools at the time of this communication.

Massabesic Middle School

Massabesic Middle School has been designated as an outbreak site for COVID 19. An outbreak means that there are three or more cases of COVID 19 within a 14 day period that are epidemiologically linked. The cases that prompted the outbreak status are related to individuals who tested positive over the recent school vacation. Because of this we have been advised by Maine CDC that this designation does not require school closing. In addition two teams of students and the associated staff have been identified as being close contacts of two positive cases earlier this week. Families and staff have been notified and are currently in quarantine. All students on these teams are accessing remote learning. Team Carrabassett students and staff will return to in person learning on Monday, January 25th. Team Allagash students and staff will return to in person learning on Tuesday, January 26th.

Massabesic High School

Massabesic High School has been designated as an outbreak site for COVID 19. An outbreak means that there are three or more cases of COVID 19 within a 14 day period that are epidemiologically linked. The cases that prompted the outbreak status are related to individuals who tested positive over the recent school vacation. Because of this we have been advised by Maine CDC that this designation does not close school or affect in person learning at MHS.

Waterboro Elementary School

At this time there are no changes to the programming or operations of the school.

Lyman Elementary School

At this time there are no changes to the programming or operations of the school.

LINE Elementary School

At this time there are multiple students and staff in quarantine (per Maine CDC guidelines) due to being identified as a close contact of one positive case. Those individuals in quarantine will return to in person learning on 1/25/21.

Alfred Elementary School

At this time there are no changes to the programming or operations of the school.

Shapleigh Memorial School

At this time there are no changes to the programming or the operations of the school.

Your continued vigilance in controlling the spread of the COVID-19 virus is crucial in keeping our community schools open. Your participation in [pre-screening](#) prior to arrival at school will ensure the health and safety of our students, staff, and the wider community. Although the news media and other social media sites are well intentioned, please note that the information presented may not represent the current status of the district. We will maintain accurate community updates to our [website](#). Remote [meal requests](#) may be made through our Nutrition Department. Please reach out to your school principal if you have any questions regarding attending work or school in person.

Be well Mustang Nation.

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