**WISCASSET SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

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Dear Wiscasset Families,

I hope your students have had a wonderful, much deserved, relaxing February break. It has been a difficult year for so many reasons, but all of the students have done an exceptional job of making necessary changes and being flexible and engaged. The Wiscasset School Department staff is so proud of all of our students.

I wanted to send a couple of reminders as we prepare to return to school on Monday, February 22. First, Nurse Sprague sent out information prior to vacation that if you traveled out of state, you must have a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours of returning to Maine (the only exceptions are New Hampshire and Vermont), or quarantine for 10 days upon your return. This is according to the Maine CDC and more information can be found at  <https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/airborne/documents/frequently-asked-questions.pdf> .

Secondly, in order to clear up confusion regarding student pick up at both schools, I have included information about the pick up process. Starting Monday at Wiscasset Elementary School, parents of students in grades 2, 3, 4, and 5 will pull into a parking space in the first parking lot. Do not proceed into the inner circle bus loop. After all 6 of the buses have departed, you may then leave your parking space and come into the inner loop to meet your child/ren. If your child/ren is in grades preK, K or 1, the process will be the same as before, that you drive to the back of the building for your student.

At Wiscasset Middle High School some of you may have noticed a bit of backlogging near the Middle School drop off zone. We have assigned a person on-duty at the crossroad and moved the snow mound to increase the safety of our students. Middle School students may be dropped off curbside at the ZONE and parents are asked not to block traffic entering into the parking lot.

Thank so much for your cooperation in keeping all of our students and staff safe. We all look forward to the return to school on Monday, February 22.

Sincerely,

Dr. Terry L. Wood

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