



Dear RSU 10 Community,

As you know by now, our schools will be closed from December 20 until January 3, 2022. Our hope is that during this time our students, staff and families have an opportunity to rejuvenate and enjoy time away. Planned activities will continue next week as long as Covid doesn't interfere.

I realize on many different levels this has been a frustrating time. The increase in positive Covid cases and continuous contact tracing in the schools, which results in requests to quarantine, is difficult on every one of us. When people disagree about how to handle these issues, it increases the frustration. Please remember every one of us is frustrated by Covid! Please consider, if you haven't, getting vaccinated, getting your booster and staying away from others if you feel ill.

How infuriating was it to have our School Board meeting hacked with vulgar, racist threats?? We are working with the Zoom Safety and Security team to learn more about how this happened and ways to prevent it in the future. We certainly do not condone this behavior and recognize how disturbing it was to those hearing it.

Thank you to all of our staff who keep us moving forward even when it is so difficult to do so. Through this all, we have incredible students, who demonstrate their resilience every day. Whether we are parents, grandparents or work in our schools, they keep us going. Never forget that! They are our future and deserve our best.

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to All!

Deb Alden