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Dear River Forest Students, Parents, Staff:

Last night at the River Forest School Board meeting, the River Forest Board in support of public education approved the closing of River Forest Schools on Tuesday, November 19, 2019.

The River Forest Community School Corporation will be closed on Tuesday, November 19, 2019. This day is not a part of our 2019-2020 calendar but we wanted to provide you with advanced notice to give you time to prepare for childcare if needed. The school day will be made up on Monday, January 20, 2020, as an E-Learning Day.

On Tuesday, November 19, 2019 educators, teachers, parents, community members and supporters of Indiana Public Education from around the state, will attend a "Red for Ed Action Day" at the Indiana State House. RFCSC has many educators who will be participating in the event to advocate for public education and the future for Indiana Public Schools. As of this Wednesday, 101 school corporations have canceled school for November 19, 2019, with nearly 10,000 supporters of education scheduled to attend the Indiana State House.

The educators at River Forest are highly dedicated and would prefer to be in their classroom teaching students. However, inadequate funding for schools, teacher shortages, substitute teacher shortages, and high stakes testing that is constantly changing put greater pressure on our schools. Every year more is required of students, teachers, parents, and schools, while the resources fail to keep pace.

The "Red for Ed Action Day" is an opportunity for all supporters of public education to show our legislators action needs to be taken on the issues facing public education.

We do have two key field trips for a number of high school students that day. The River Forest Administration and staff will be making arrangements to take those high school students scheduled for those field trips on that day. Arrangements will be communicated to those students by the River Forest High School Administration.

Respectfully,



Dr. Steven C. Disney

River Forest School Superintendent