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Dear parents/guardians,

I am writing this letter to update you on the many changes from Maine Department of Education, the Center for Disease Control, the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the Department of Health and Human Services. Last Friday, Governor Mills updated the Framework for Returning to Classroom Instruction. School departments are being charged with developing three possible plans for returning to school. The plans are color-coded as green, yellow, and red. Each county, or region will be given a color distinction that will determine the degree to which students can or cannot return to school. All schools will be receiving this color distinction on Friday, July 31st and every two weeks afterward, the state will make adjustments if necessary based on the number of cases of COVID-19 and other factors.

Thank you to those who have completed the surveys that have been sent out as we try and plan for the fall. We are working on many of the intricate details that will impact staff, students, and families as well. We appreciate your patience as we work through these details. Another survey will be sent out as we move closer to the school year to determine the number of students and staff who will be returning to school so that we can work on classroom configurations, transportation, and schedules. Please take the time to review the link below as it contains many of the answers to the many questions that I am sure you all have at this time. I will keep you updated once we receive more information. Please feel free to contact me at the email above if you have any concerns that are not addressed in the framework. Again, thank you for the invaluable part you play in your child's education.

Best,

Dr. Terry L. Wood, Superintendent
<https://www.maine.gov/doe/framework>