

OLD COLONY

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December 21, 2020

Dear Old Colony Community,

We have made the decision, out of an abundance of caution, to move all learning to the **remote model** for the days of **Tuesday, December 22, 2020** and **Wednesday, December 23, 2020**. This pivot will minimize risk for close contact with any potentially positive cases within our school community prior to the holiday break. This will also minimize the need for last minute, unanticipated notification associated with contact tracing in the event of a positive case leading into Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Our student body and staff have been closely adhering to the safety protocols including mask wearing, hand washing, and physical distancing. We are grateful to our families for their continued efforts to keep students home at the first sign of symptoms. We appreciate your ongoing communication with our team in the event of a positive case. These measures, taken in combination, greatly reduce the risk of additional transmission prior to the holiday break.

To prevent transmission of the virus to staff and students, we continue to sanitize the school on a daily basis. We will continue to be vigilant in adhering to all of the protocols that have been put in place in an effort to continue in person learning upon our return from the holiday break. Students and staff should remain prepared to pivot, as the anticipated CoVid-19 impacts on our school community following the holidays remain uncertain.

We are committed to continuous communication with and support of our families. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact our school nurses Ms. Lindsay Mota and Mrs. Deb Levesque (508) 763-8011 ext. 130 and/or 176. You can also reach me directly at apolansky@oldcolony.info if I can be of assistance at any time.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Sincerely,

Aaron L. Polansky