



DISTRICT OFFICE DR. ROSEMARY LUCAS ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
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Tuesday, November 17, 2020

Dear Worth 127 Families,

Worth 127 has decided all students will learn remotely starting on **Monday, November 30**. **TENTATIVELY**, optional in-person learning will resume on **Thursday, January 21**.

As we all know, positivity rates after Halloween increased dramatically. I continue to remind myself that schools are a safe place during this pandemic. I also remind myself of what the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and health officials recommend. At this point, IDPH and health officials are recommending to mitigate all possible risks of spreading COVID. With that stated and knowing Thanksgiving and winter holidays are in the coming weeks, all students will learn remotely starting on **Monday, November 30**. With families and staff traveling to attend holiday parties, we need to take precautions and mitigate the risks of COVID being spread in school once students return. I hope that by postponing in-person learning until three weeks after New Year's Eve, we will minimize the risk of spreading COVID. As a community, we must take ownership during this pandemic. I highly encourage all of us to make wise choices, which will look different for everyone depending on individual situations.

Please note the following important dates:

- **Monday, November 23:** Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences
- **Monday, November 30:** All students remain home for remote learning.
- **TENTATIVE - Thursday, January 21:** Optional A/B in-person learning

Principals will be communicating more details regarding the transition to full remote learning. If you have any questions, please contact your child's building principal. I know this is incredibly stressful for students, families, and staff. I also know that as a Worth 127 family, we will see each other through - #Worth127StrongerTogether.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support and patience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark T. Fleming".

Dr. Mark T. Fleming
Superintendent