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Dear Mansfield Community:

As always, the health and safety of our students and staff is paramount to our decision making. This letter is to inform our community that Mansfield Township Elementary School will extend remote learning until January 15, 2021, with a return date to our original model on January 19th. The Case Positivity Rate in our area is currently in the “Red/Very High” according to the CALI (Covid Activity Level Index). This, as well as, several staff members needing to take Medical and Family leave due to COVID-19, necessitates the reason we are making this difficult decision. We know this decision will not be met with agreement by many in our community, which is understandable. We are thankful for the continued support of our #DragonNation Family.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We continue to encourage parents and students to follow the [Centers for Disease Control & Prevention](#) promoted safeguards, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering while in school and out in the community; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for symptoms.

Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to contact Mr Melitsky at melitskyj@mansfieldtsd.org.

With Gratitude,

Dr. Anthony Giordano