



MIDLAND BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Midland Families:

Over the past week the Pennsylvania Department of Health has indicated the level of community transmission of COVID-19 in Beaver County has increased to 8.3%. This level of community transmission places Beaver County in the "Substantial Level". The Pennsylvania Department of Education recommends for schools in counties that are in the Substantial Level for 2 consecutive weeks to move to fully remote instruction.

Although this is the 1st week for Beaver County in the Substantial Level, we do not anticipate this level to change for the next week. Currently, we have 1 confirmed case in the District, but we also have seen a considerable rise in students being sent home from school with symptoms. Likewise, due to the rise of positive cases in our area, many students and staff must quarantine as a result of contact tracing.

Given these circumstances, beginning Thursday, November 19, 2020, the Midland Borough School District will be moving to all remote instruction through Friday, December 4, 2020. Please understand that during remote instruction, student attendance is mandatory. Instruction will be delivered and assignments and assessments will be graded. It is imperative that your child is attending school daily and participates during remote instruction.

Please know that we are making every effort to keep the Midland Borough School District students and staff safe and to mitigate the risk of contracting COVID-19. You can help us with these efforts by monitoring your child's health and communicating with your family physician when symptoms necessitate additional scrutiny. During remote instruction, we are asking that you contact our school nurse, Ms. Beth Calahan, at 724-643-8650 ext. 215, and notify her of any changes in your child's health or if you have any questions.

As we closely monitor information from the PA Department of Health and recommendations from the PA Department of Education, we will update you on the return to face to face instruction or if we have to extend remote instruction.

Meals will continue to be delivered for students and a schedule will be posted on the District's website and Facebook page.

Thank you for your support as together we navigate through this time and do not hesitate to contact the school office at 724-643-8650 if you have any questions. Please stay safe and take care.

Very truly yours,

Sean D. Tanner
Superintendent

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