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Dear Golden Knights:

I am writing to provide you with additional information regarding the District's decision to move to remote only instruction until January 19, 2021. This decision was not made lightly and was based on several factors. The infection rate in our region is higher now than it was in March when all schools first moved to remote only instruction. The growing number of students and staff in quarantine have caused continual disruptions to our students and the learning process, in addition to staffing and coverage issues throughout the District. Finally, we do not receive quarantine and positive test results from the County in real time. The increase in positive results in our community places greater strain on County resources. We do not want to be in a situation where we learn of a quarantine after an individual is in a school building.

Based on these reasons, and to ensure the greatest continuity and consistency in learning, we made the decision to move to remote education. We will continue to monitor our protocols and make adjustments where appropriate to continue meet the needs of all of our students.

We appreciate your understanding and support during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Jason P. Evangelist
Superintendent of Schools