



FRAZIER SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Frazier Educational Community,

As guidance was updated last week from the Pennsylvania Department of Health and the Pennsylvania Department of Education, the Frazier School District will transition back to our virtual learning platform beginning December 7, 2020 through January 8, 2021. We will monitor the level of community transmission with intentions of returning to face-to-face instruction on January 11, 2021. Please know that this decision was not easy by any means and was not made without a tremendous amount of thought and discussion between our Board of Directors and Administration. There were multiple factors that impacted our decision:

- The community level of COVID-19 transmission for Fayette County was moved from the “moderate” level to the “substantial” level within the last two weeks.
- Both PDE and the DOH recommend remote learning while a county is in the substantial transmission level.
- A staffing shortage resulting from infection, quarantine, and protocols that impacted the teaching and supervision of our students.
- The increased risk of travel and social gatherings surrounding the holiday breaks.

During the virtual learning period as indicated above, the district will follow your child's remote learning schedule as we did at the beginning of the school year. Additional information regarding our Virtual Learning Academy and our district can be found on our website at www.frazierschooldistrict.org.

To assist with any emotional needs, The Frazier School District continues to partner with Chestnut Ridge Counseling Services and Fayette County Behavioral Health Administration to offer School Based Services to student's district-wide. These services are still available, even during the time of virtual learning. [Click here for more information.](#)

Please keep in mind, we are doing everything in our power to have our students return to school for the 2020-2021 school year in a traditional face to face setting. While doing so, we will need your cooperation and assistance during this transition period and throughout the school year as state mandates or health recommendations may change.

Sincerely,

William R. Henderson III