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Dear Parents and Community Members:

Nearly the entire month of October we have been spared from major outbreaks of COVID-19 in our school buildings. When positive cases were identified we were able to isolate and quarantine to help reduce the spread. Within the past week, six Dodgeville staff members have tested positive for COVID-19. Many students and staff will now be asked to quarantine as well. Being able to adequately staff in-person instruction has become a major concern. Coupled with the increasing number of positive cases in the area, it is in the best interest of student and staff health and safety to pivot to a full-virtual instructional model in grades ELP-12. ***Starting October 29 and going through November 30 in-person students will receive their instruction virtually.*** We will continue to monitor the indicators during this time and make a determination if it is safe to resume school on December 1.

If your child has been exposed or has been in close contact (6 feet for 15 minutes) with someone who has tested positive for the virus, you will be notified by phone and/or email within the next 24-48 hours. District buildings will be shut down for deep cleaning to employees and visitors through November 12. Starting November 2, the building offices will reopen to receive phone calls and assist parents with questions. Visitors coming to school will not have access to the buildings. Pick up and drop off of materials will be done in front of the schools; this will be communicated to families via principals starting on November 2.

Support for Virtual Learning:

Limited Internet access: Please contact the building office on November 2.

Food Service: If you need to pick-up or to have food delivered please call Chris Lindner 608-935-3307 ext. 4070 or email clindner@draschools.org.

This is not an easy decision and is made with a heavy heart. The staff and administration have done everything possible to keep in-person instruction a viable option. During the coming weeks, we all must do our part in following safe practices to keep the virus from spreading further so that we can reopen the school buildings on December 1.

Sincerely,

Paul Weber