

CHAPLIN, HAMPTON, SCOTLAND AND REGIONAL DISTRICT #11  
*Office of the Superintendent of Schools*  
304 Parish Hill Road  
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December 21, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As you are aware, Parish Hill moved to a remote learning model on Wednesday, December 9th. Since that time, there has been a notable collective increase in the new COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population per day in our three towns. This leading metric, along with other secondary indicators and mitigation protocols, are important factors in determining the appropriate learning model for our students. The upcoming holiday break means family gatherings and community events that increase the likelihood of COVID-19 transmission in our tri-town community. While schools remain one of the safest places for learning, the holiday break may lead to a surge in COVID-19 cases in the community. Also, due to the 14-day incubation period for COVID-19, we wish to resume in-person learning *after* that period to minimize risk of transmission. **Accordingly, Parish Hill Middle/High School will remain in a remote learning model through January 18 and will return to in-person learning on January 19.**

We realize that students learn best with in-person learning. However, the safety and welfare of our students and staff will always drive any decisions that we make. We strongly feel that remaining in a remote learning model with a return to in-person learning on Tuesday, January 19 is a decision that will help minimize the *risk* of COVID-19 transmission.

School administration will be providing you very soon with information regarding mid-terms exams, second semester schedules, any changes in room assignments, and other pertinent information.

We wish you a safe and relaxing holiday season!

Sincerely,

Kenneth V. Henrici  
Superintendent