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Dear Hornet Parents and Students:

As you well know, our district undertook a preemptive, temporary conversion to the remote mode of instructional delivery for the two weeks following the Thanksgiving recess. As this planned period of remote study winds down, the district's Reopening Planning Committee has met to review this strategy, and has affirmed that our district – barring any new COVID cases or outbreaks – will return to the hybrid mode on Monday, December 14, 2020.

No decision has yet been made about whether a similar planned move to remote instruction will occur in January. The Reopening Committee will focus on this topic when it meets next week.

The hybrid schedule will be familiar to students as it was in-place from September through November. If you have any questions about schedules, student groups, etc., please don't hesitate to contact your child(ren)'s School Counselor or Administrator. One small-but-important change to our planned return to hybrid on December 14<sup>th</sup> is that CV-Tec students will be permitted to attend their in-person day(s) at PHS.

While there is no requirement, outside of Unified Wednesdays, that Teachers live-broadcast their inperson teaching for students who are at home on their remote days, many have elected to do so. One recurring theme of positive feedback from the current period of remote instruction has been that students enjoy the daily live interaction (even though it is online) with their Teacher(s). So, if your child(ren)'s Teachers are making this daily live-streaming available, please encourage them to participate. As a reminder, if you intend to elect the remote parent option moving forward, it is necessary to complete the enrollment form for such, which can be obtained by contacting your child(ren)'s school(s).

We have seen (both in our district and others) the broad quarantine impact which a positive case can have on the school community, and as we had into the holiday recess, it remains critical that best

hygiene practices (which include keeping sick/symptomatic individuals home from school) persist. The following page was prepared by our medical staff, and your continued compliance with these requirements is appreciated.
Keep up the vigilance!
Best,
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