

JAMESTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## Mrs. Contessa Pelfrey, Superintendent

Mr. David Croy, Principal

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Dear Jamestown School District Families,

Happy New Year to you and your family! I hope that in this challenging time you were able to enjoy some special quality time with your family and had a happy holiday. We are all looking forward to a brand-new year filled with the promise of better times ahead!

At this time, Jamestown School District is continuing our instructional model of all distance learning with the projected date of return to in-person instruction on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> (after Martin Luther King Day). The upcoming Board Meeting is set for Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM where the Board will discuss and evaluate the current situation regarding COVID health and safety concerns and whether the district will remain on Distance Learning or return to in-person instruction on the 19th. To clarify, in-person instruction will continue in small class cohorts, maintaining social distancing and all other safety protocols. Whatever instructional model (e.g. Distance learning, Independent study or In-person) your child was participating in before the November 30<sup>th</sup> switch to all distance learning, will continue when we return to in-person instruction. I will send out another letter on January 14<sup>th</sup> to inform you of the Board's decision.

In the meantime, it is a must that your child attends virtual class daily, actively participates and completes assignments. Again, I can understand the strain that distance learning places upon a family, and I continue to thank you for doing the best you can in encouraging and assisting your child. Attendance does matter, even when it is virtual, and so important to the academic growth of your child.

We want to have our students back in school as soon as possible. In order to do that, it continues to be of great importance that we continue to do our part to contain the spread of the virus in our community. Please continue to follow prevention guidelines:

- Practice physical distancing at all times. Keep 6 feet space between yourself and others who are not part of your household. <u>Stay in your household bubble!</u>
- Wear a face covering in public.
- Wash your hands thoroughly and frequently.
- Avoid gatherings of any size with people who are not part of your household.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid unnecessary travel, and limit your outings to essential tasks.

In partnership,

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