

November 20, 2020

Our commitment to the safety of our students and staff is and will always be our highest priority. I want to commend our staff, students and their families for doing an excellent job at wearing masks, washing hands and staying socially distant while attending school. Those actions in addition to increased cleaning and sanitizing our classrooms have made these past 6 weeks quite successful for our In-Person Learning Model.

However, we were informed yesterday that Cumberland County has been moved to the High Risk category due to recent increases of COVID cases. We have witnessed the impact on the continuity of learning by the number of students and staff who have been quarantined due to being in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID, being excluded due to illness, or needing to comply with the travel quarantine. The following chart provides data on the cumulative number of cases for the past 6 weeks since we opened for 50/50 Learning. The number of students and staff have been increasing each week.

Students Who Tested Positive	Students Quarantined	Staff Who Tested Positive	Staff Quarantined
1	53	3	17

Therefore, the Myron L. Powell School will be moving to our Full-Remote Schedule as of this Monday, November 23rd.

All students will remain on Full-Remote Learning through our Winter Break. Our projected date of return is Tuesday, January 19th. I will be in contact with you after the New Year to confirm our return to in-person learning.

Your child's teacher will reach out to you through Google Classroom or Remind/DoJo to verify their Full-Time Remote Schedule. Preschool-3rd Grade will follow their Wednesday schedule, as they did during the first 5 weeks of our school year. 4th-8th Grade students will continue to follow your current schedule. Our school attendance requirements will remain in effect so please make certain your child is attending all virtual learning sessions.

The district will continue to provide FREE breakfast and lunch for all children who live in our district. Food can be picked-up at MLP School every Monday between 4:00-6:00 PM. We will also use that day/time for parents and teachers to give and exchange learning materials as needed.

I appreciate your understanding and willingness to partner with us in your child's education during these difficult times. I will update you with additional information as it becomes available. Please continue to take the necessary precautions to keep your family safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Shelley Magan

Dr. Shelley Marie Magan, Superintendent and Principal