



OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

November 24, 2020

Dear Crawford Central Families:

As all of us are aware, COVID-19 is surging in Crawford County. In an update to the COVID-19 Monitoring System Dashboard, Crawford County has been identified as being in the Substantial Phase in terms of community spread. Based on a requirement from the Wolf Administration, Crawford Central School District will transition to virtual instruction beginning on Tuesday, December 1, 2020. According to Gov. Wolf's order, 100% remote instruction is required and all in-person extracurricular activities, including winter sports, are postponed until further notice.

We continue to believe that the classroom is the best learning environment for our students, and have made every effort to make in-person instruction possible, including developing a detailed Health and Safety Plan that reflects the guidance and recommendations of the Pennsylvania Department of Education and our local and state health agencies.

We will continue to monitor local conditions and consult with state and local health officials with the goal of returning to in-person instruction as soon as it is safe to do so. Current Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) guidance recommends that in-person instruction not resume until Crawford County falls within the "moderate" range of community transmission for 14 consecutive days.

To monitor levels of community transmission and other COVID-19 data, visit the [Pennsylvania Department of Education's Level of Community Transmission Table](#) and the [Pennsylvania Department of Health's COVID-19 dashboard](#), both of which are accessible via <https://www.craw.org/updates/>.

All students should log onto their computers at their normal starting time each day. We will still follow the school calendar for the 2020-2021 school year.

Meal pickups will occur at both the Meadville Area Senior High School (door number 14) and Cochranon Jr.-Sr. High School (door number 10). Times are as follows:

December 1st – 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (one day meal)

Beginning December 2nd – Meals will be served on Mondays, Wednesdays (meals for 2 days), and Fridays (meals for 3 days) from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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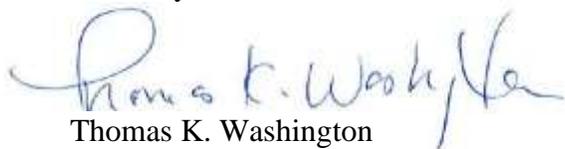
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We recognize that the decision to continue remote learning will impact families' lives and schedules. For our teachers, it means continuing to do the hard work of engaging our students in a new, challenging way on a daily basis. But our first, most important job is ensuring the health and safety of our students and staff, and the way we do that is to work closely with and listen to our health and safety experts at the local and state level.

Please follow the latest travel guidelines, masking requirements and continue to practice safe social distancing. Wash your hands properly and thoroughly. Together we can minimize the spread of COVID-19 and return to face-to-face instruction as soon as possible.

Please stay safe and enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday as we move into the next phase of our journey through the coronavirus pandemic. Be encouraged, stay encouraged.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thomas K. Washington". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'T'.

Thomas K. Washington
Superintendent of Schools