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As a result of Camden County's escalating rise in all three major indices on the NJ Department of Health weekly updates, and proceeding very cautiously to help mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus, **Magnolia Public School has made the responsible decision to suspend in-person learning from November 30, 2020 thru January 18, 2021.** During this time we will implement our Full-Remote instruction plan. [Hybrid/Remote Schedules 20-21](#) (This means the students will follow the exact same schedule they are now, but will be online. This includes pre-k and kindergarten)

The building will still be open for your office needs and our staff will still report as we have since the start of school, but without students. We are targeting a return of in-person instruction on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, provided the NJ Department of Health Matrix indicates we are continuing to trend in the right direction.

We are starting to see a rise in exposure, transmission, and symptomatic cases occurring with the residents of Magnolia, our staff, and our students. We hope these next seven weeks (including winter break) will provide us with different data and more reassuring information so we can resume our hybrid in-person instruction.

The health and safety of our students, staff, teachers, community, and administration has always been our top priority. Please do not underestimate the willingness of our staff to have students in the building. We know that our students are better served at school. There is no substitute for in-person instruction. The decision is based solely on the scientific guidelines put forth by the CDC and the New Jersey Department of Health. We will continue to monitor the state guidelines, but if we go into red, we will have no choice but to stay remote until those restrictions are lifted. This may also impose additional restrictions on the building.

When we started this school year, we anticipated that we would be faced with many challenges. With all of us working together and being committed to doing what is best for the children, we will stay the course and provide the best quality remote instruction we can until our anticipated return to in-person instruction. Thank you for your continued support and understanding during these difficult times.

Stay well and safe during this holiday season.

Sincerely,

Karen Macpherson
Superintendent