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Dear Parents.

We continue to be thankful that our school has remained open since August 13th. It has not been without vigilance and close monitoring of the virus in our community. As the fall/winter months approach, we need you to pay careful attention to our guidelines. Please read this document carefully and keep it close for quick reference.

Upcoming Holiday Guidelines:

Thanksgiving is a time when many families travel long distances to celebrate together. <u>Travel</u> increases the chance of getting and spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. Staying home <u>is</u> the best way to protect yourself and others. If you must travel, be informed of the <u>risks involved</u>.

Gatherings that qualify as "lower risk" activities:

- Having a small dinner with only people who live in your household
- Preparing traditional family recipes for family and neighbors, especially those at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19, and delivering them in a way that doesn't involve contact with others
- Shop online or use curbside service
- Watching sports events, parades, and movies from home

Moderate risk activities:

- Having a small outdoor <u>dinner</u> with family and friends who live in your community
- Visiting pumpkin patches where people use hand sanitizer before touching pumpkins, wear masks, and people are able to maintain social distancing
- Attending a small outdoor sports events with safety precautions in place

Higher risk activities to avoid:

- Going shopping in crowded stores just before, on, or after Thanksgiving
- Using <u>alcohol or drugs</u>, which can cloud judgement and increase risky behaviors
- Attending large indoor gatherings with people from outside of your household

Click here (insert link to other doc here) to review updates guidelines.

Thank you for doing all you can to keep our school open,

Lynn Gray School Nurse