



Community Day Charter Public School - Gateway
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November 9, 2020

Dear CDCPS Families,

We hope this letter finds you well. We first want to take a moment to recognize the remarkable job students, families, and teachers have done with the challenges of remote learning. Educators are teaching, families are adapting, and students are engaged and learning. Although not ideal, we all are doing the best with this difficult situation and we thank you for your partnership.

Our primary goal is to return to in-person learning for students. However, as we continually review public health metrics, we see that for the 12th straight week the number of COVID-19 cases are on the rise and Lawrence remains in the red.

Due to this, **CDCPS will stay remote in Term II.** Term II runs from 11/30/2020 through 3/12/2021. Last Friday the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, (DESE) updated their guidance surrounding [public health metrics](#) and in-person learning guidelines. Even with this updated model we remain confident in our decision to continue with an all remote learning model for next term. Lawrence maintains a red-zone and continues to be one of the most, if not the most, cities affected by COVID-19 in Massachusetts.

We will continuously revisit public health metrics, reassess data and determine any future steps. Until then, families will continue to connect daily with teachers and classmates remotely. The same grading, attendance, and other school policies are still in place and school leadership, teachers and staff will always be available with any questions or concerns you may have.

We will continue to work hard to best serve the needs of our students and teachers, and we want to make sure that you have the opportunity to share those needs with us. We ask that you complete this [Remote Learning Survey](#) so we are able to adjust our remote learning model to better meet the needs of our families and teachers.

Additionally, on November 17 families will be able to pick up curriculum materials for Term II. More details surrounding this will follow in the near future.

We thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Maria Moeller
Chief Executive Officer

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Chief Academic Officer

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Director of Student Services