

LEHIGHTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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“Partnering with students, families, and community to provide opportunities for life-long success through academic excellence and individual growth in a safe and supportive environment.”

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Good Afternoon,

We are sending this early notification to parents and guardians as a proactive approach that the Lehigh Area School District will be utilizing a virtual instructional model for students and staff on Monday, February 1, 2021 and Tuesday, February 2, 2021. This decision has been made due to the impending weather as well as a slight rise in COVID-19 positive cases throughout the District. Students and staff are scheduled to return to their current instructional model on Wednesday, February 3, 2021.

Please be advised that the administration, along with the nursing staff, of LASD are monitoring our District positive COVID-19 numbers for each building. As part of this monitoring process, the District has provided the Lehigh Educational Community with an updated COVID-19 tracker with positive case numbers per building. [This LASD Positive COVID-19 Data Tracker can be found here on the District website under Community > COVID 19 Updates.](#)

If any person in your household has been tested for COVID-19, are positive with COVID-19, or have come in close contact with someone who has COVID-19, please alert the school using the appropriate email addresses as indicated below. You will be contacted by a school official to discuss your child's return to school.

Elementary Center

Aaron Sebelin, asebelin@lehighton.org
Melissa Haydt, RN, mhaydt@lehighton.org

Middle School

Mark McGalla, mmcgalla@lehighton.org
Lori German, LPN, lgerman@lehighton.org

High School

Suzanne Howland, showland@lehighton.org
Kali Andrew, RN, kandrew@lehighton.org

We can mitigate the spread of the virus in our schools and community by wearing a face covering, social distancing, practicing good hygiene and adhering to the guidance regarding travel and gatherings with persons not habitually together. These measures remain critical in order for our Lehigh Students to continue in-person instruction for the remainder of the school year. Please continue to follow mitigation strategies and thank you in advance for your patience and understanding through this pandemic.

Sincerely,



Jonathan J. Cleaver
Superintendent