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Good afternoon WPS families,

It is with deep disappointment that I have to send this message out today. After much deliberation with the City's Health Department and the school committee, we have decided that it is in the best interest of our students and staff to pivot to full remote learning starting tomorrow through Monday, January 18, 2021. We will return to Phase 3 for students on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Please know that this was a difficult decision to make. We know that our students need to be in school. But the increase in COVID cases not only in our schools but also in our community are of legitimate concern. I do want to commend parents and students that followed CDC guidelines, which allowed our schools to be open this long. In hindsight, had anyone had said that we were going to make it to almost Christmas when the school year began, I would have said that it was at the very least overly optimistic. This has been a true team effort. Thank you!

Building Principals will be following up with additional information this afternoon and evening. In the meantime, please feel free to reach out to me or your School Principal with questions.

Sincerely,

Stefan Czaporowski
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