October 2, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The first five weeks of school have been rewarding, challenging, and definitely different from previous years. A big thank-you to staff, students, and parents for your focus on learning, your positive attitudes, and for the great community you create at J.T. Foster School

Continuity of learning during the COVID-19 pandemic is a top priority for our school and Livingstone Range School Division. As we strive to provide high-quality education in both in-school and at-home settings, it is necessary for longer-term planning for curriculum scope and sequence coverage, staff assignments, and student experience.

As such, in order to provide stability for students and staff, **the chosen method of programming (either in-school or at-home) in which your child is enrolled as of October 16, 2020 will be your choice for the remaining 61 student instruction days from October 19, 2020 to January 31, 2021.**

For example, if your child is enrolled in at-home learning on October 16, they will continue at-home learning until January 31, without the option to move to in-school learning until February 1. If your child is attending in-person school as of October 16, they will continue in-school learning until January 31, without the option to move to at-home learning until February 1, assuming good health and no COVID-19 outbreak in our school.

In January families will be able to again choose in-school or at-home learning for the second semester (February 1 to June 25). Certainly, where changes are required due to the COVID-19 we will address those as they arise.

No action is required if you choose to continue with your child's current programming enrollment and our planning will default to their current enrollment. If you would like to move from in-school or at-home programming to the other, please contact the school prior to October 16.

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