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Dear LCS Families,

Yesterday afternoon Education Minister Kelvin Goertzen made several announcements regarding remote learning for Manitoba students. Minister Goertzen explained as follows, "Current data indicates the risk of COVID-19 transmission in our schools remains low and we want to ensure the return to the classroom is as safe as practically possible. By moving our Grade 7 to 12 students to remote learning for the first two weeks of the new year, we are reducing the risk that may be posed as a result of a change in students' close contacts during the winter break."

You can read more details about the provision of education during the weeks of January 4 and 11 in the link to the province's December 2 news release by clicking [here](#). Among other things, the Minister confirmed that:

- Grade 7-12 students will move to full remote learning following Christmas Break, effective Monday, January 4, 2021. In-class learning will resume Monday, January 18;
- Kindergarten to Grade 6 students will continue to attend in-class learning, however, families may choose to keep students at home for remote learning during this two week period.

For planning purposes, families with children in K-6 will be provided with a Google survey via separate email to confirm their child(ren)'s return to in-class learning or participation in remote learning effective January 4. For those opting to keep their K-6 child(ren) home for remote learning, it must be understood that the commitment is for the entire two week period (January 4 through 15). Your response will be due no later than Monday, December 14, 2020.

As you know, Administration and staff have been planning and preparing for the transition to remote learning for some time and this includes consideration given to the feedback you provided at the end of the 2019-2020 school year.

For those families with students in Kindergarten to Grade 6, we will look forward to receiving your children back to school on January 4. We are confident that the safety measures we have put in place to limit the spread of COVID-19 at LCS are working well. The few cases we have had were assessed as low risk with no evidence of transmission within the school community.

Grade 7-12 families will receive further information regarding remote learning plans prior to Christmas Break. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact a member of the Administration Team.

Thank you for your ongoing prayers and support.

In His Service,

Robert Charach  
Principal and CEO