



DERUYTER

CENTRAL SCHOOL

Dear DeRuyter Families:

We hope this letter finds you healthy. As the pandemic remains a part of our daily lives DCS is making plans to be prepared in the event our school needs to be closed for any length of time. The goal is to ensure students, staff and families are prepared to continue learning as seamlessly as possible whether we are in the physical building or conducting our school days remotely. We will be holding two "Remote Learning Drill" days in place of days that were originally scheduled for staff development in the month of November.

The first "Remote Learning Drill" day will be on November 3rd. That day we will run our remote learning schedule for all PK-6 students and all students in grades 7-12 will follow their typical schedule remotely (this includes all 9-12 students in both A and B groups). Elementary teachers will provide the remote schedule for their students to follow prior to the drill day. Devices and/or materials will be sent home with students that do not normally take home devices on Monday, November 2nd, and must be returned on Wednesday, November 4th. Attendance will be taken. We thank you for helping your child understand that remote learning days are still school days, and they are expected to attend class and complete assignments. See the reverse of this letter for basic tips on remote learning success.

The second "Remote Learning Drill" day will be November 16th, which is also parent-teacher conference day. We will not run full remote schedules on that day due to conferences, but Teaching Assistants will be scheduled to do check-ins with students at some point during the day while teachers participate in parent-teacher conferences virtually/by phone. Students will also be expected to complete asynchronous and/or hardcopy assignments on November 16th.

Please contact Mrs. Valente or Mr. Rafferty with any questions. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation during this globally difficult time.

Sincerely,

Jenny Valente

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