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Dear TRHS families and staff,

There continues to be a number of TRHS students and staff that are exhibiting signs and symptoms related to COVID-19, but with unconfirmed positive diagnosis at this time. Initial contact tracing showed that it is possible, though not likely, that some of these cases are a result of in-school spread of COVID-19. We are not able to definitively rule it out. Therefore, we will be operating in a fully remote model at TRHS Friday, December 18, 2020. This pause in in-person instruction will allow us to do additional contact tracing and confer with medical professionals as to appropriate next steps.

Due to the effective social distancing measures put in place, at this time, we have not identified anyone further to quarantine specifically due to these recent cases. But, we felt it was important to notify the community of these potential cases and our efforts to make sure we continue to put the safety of our students and staff at the forefront of our decision making. We will continue to work with DHHS officials to identify others, if any, who may have been in close contact and will provide additional updates if necessary.

Please remember that if your child shows any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 as described in the <u>TRSD Daily Screening Form</u>, that they are to stay home, and you are to contact your school nurse. We understand the desire to know more information, but please refrain from calling the school or NH DHHS. No information that could potentially identify the individual(s) can be shared. Please refer to our <u>COVID-19 resources</u> which can be found on our website.

At this time, our plan is to open TRHS on Monday, December 21 and Tuesday, December 22 with regularly scheduled cohort 1 students attending their in-person classes,. Should anything change, we will communicate with you as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Dr. Brian Cachrane

Dan Woodworth

Interim Superintendent of Schools

TRHS Principal