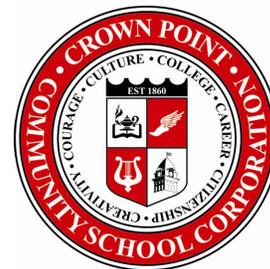


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Dear Crown Point Community School Corporation,

Our administration has continued to closely monitor COVID data and evaluate our plan to return with in-person instruction on December 3rd. I want to update you regarding changes to that plan.

After Thanksgiving break, all Crown Point schools will continue distance learning in *red* status through December 18th, the start of the winter holiday break. We will also continue distance learning January 4-6th after the break.

As noted at our board meeting last night, we are seeing significant growth in teaching, learning, and attendance in *red* status when comparing these weeks to last spring. Kudos to our staff, students, and students' caregivers for all of your hard work in these challenging times. Even with these improvements, returning to in-person learning as soon as it is feasible remains our goal.

On January 7th, we plan to return to in-person instruction. The school day will start and stop at its normal time. The rationale for this return model remains consistent with the reasons [we outlined earlier this month](#).

- High school and middle school students will return to school in *yellow* (hybrid) status. They will continue distance learning on Wednesdays at home.
- Elementary students will return to school in *green* status. However, Wednesdays will now be used for distance learning, similar to the secondary schools. This is a change from the previous green status.

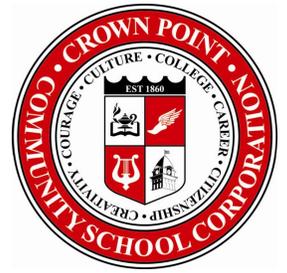
Multiple factors impacted the decision to stay in *red* status. One of those factors was maintaining a consistent style of instruction rather than switching models again for a short period of time. Another factor was COVID data, which we previously noted we would continue to analyze (the original notice about data used to determine learning status is [available on our website](#)).

If this extension of our temporary *red* status creates child care issues for your family, we want you to know there are still spaces in the child care programs we shared earlier this month: [Crown Point Community School Corporation](#), [Southlake Family YMCA](#), and [Boys and Girls Club of Cedar Lake](#).

Food service will continue using the same method as the last two weeks. Meal pick up is 9-10am on Mondays (Nov. 30, Dec. 7 and 14) and includes 5 meals. If you have not been on the list for the last few weeks and would like to be added, please email pmaloney@cps.k12.in.us. Meal pick up locations include Crown Point High School, Jerry Ross Elementary, Timothy Ball Elementary, and MacArthur Elementary.

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As a reminder, if your child tests positive for COVID during *red* status, you should still notify the school nurse - a requirement from the health department.

If you need anything in the upcoming weeks, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's school and ask for assistance. Together, we will help students succeed despite the difficult and unusual circumstances of this school year.

Sincerely,

Dr. Todd Terrill, Superintendent

