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Dr. Paul J. Orlich – Superintendent High School Principal

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Dear Mishicot Families,

Given the current spike in confirmed positive COVID-19 cases at the high school, the tentative return date of October 4 for a return to in person learning is not feasible. As noted in my September 26 communication the decision whether or not to return to in person learning would be based on current data including the number of positive cases and close contacts. In the meantime, the number of positive cases at the high school has increased from 16 to 27. With additional case notifications still coming in, a return on October 4 is wishful thinking.

Based on this information the administrative team has decided that high school students will not return to in person learning until Monday, October 11. This extra time will provide the majority of those individuals who are out due to being COVID positive or a close contact time to be tested as well as meet the CDC recommended 14 days out since last contact to a positive COVID-19 case within the school. All extracurricular events during this time are also canceled.

To limit potential spread, all middle and high school parent teacher conferences on October 5 and 7 will be held virtually. Additional information will be forthcoming. All conferences at OHS Elementary will continue as scheduled, as a virtual option is available for parents.

While this change is necessary to protect our students and staff during this spike in COVID cases, we understand the inconvenience this may be for you. Our goal is to contain this spike to just the high school and not affect our other schools so that they can remain learning in person. Thank you for your understanding and support as we move forward.

Yours in education,

Paul J. Orlich Ph.D. Superintendent