

# THE LAMPHERE SCHOOLS

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Dear Elementary and Early Childhood Center Families,

At our November 10th Board Meeting, our School Board voted to continue face-to-face learning. The current Covid trend data has created the need to reconsider our plans, and we are again reminded of how dynamic this situation truly is. Data from the Oakland County Health Department has become increasingly concerning showing factors outside of our control are making our District's efforts extremely vulnerable. We have safe protocols in place at all of our schools. Unfortunately, external, societal factors outside of our control and community spread is growing at an exponential rate. This is impacting the safety of our students and staff and the ability to properly staff our classrooms.

For the reasons mentioned, we are pausing our current learning plan, which offers the option of in-person learning until the conclusion of the first semester, which ends January 22, 2021. **All students, including those in our self-contained special education programs, early childhood special education programs, early childhood and preschool programs will be returning to our fully-remote or virtual learning options beginning on Thursday, November 19th.** Additionally, all in-person childcare, including toddler, pre-school, and SACC programs, will be suspended. On this date, all students, whether they attended in-person or remotely, will revert back to their original teachers, and the learning schedule that we utilized at the start of the school year will be back in use. More detailed information will follow early next week, including schedules, Google Classrooms and food distribution. Those students that moved from our Lamphere Virtual Option (Edmentum) to in-person learning will be given the opportunity to join their classroom teacher in remote learning or move back to Lamphere Virtual (Edmentum).

We understand that this decision will impact our families in many different ways. We will continue to provide the very best support and learning opportunities for all of our students, no matter their learning option. Over the next few days, our teachers and staff will concentrate on preparing students for the transition back to remote learning, or for our remote learners to return to their original teachers. We continue to appreciate your positive support as we navigate this tumultuous 2020-2021 school year together.

Sincerely,  
Lamphere Schools Administration