



# Holmes Middle School

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Dr. Michael Thomas, Superintendent  
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January 12, 2022

Dear Holmes Parents or Guardians,

Due to not having adequate staff coverage for delivering and / or supporting in-person learning, all students will be learning remotely on Friday, January 14, 2022. Students may return on Tuesday, January 18, 2022. If anything changes and we need to continue to stay in remote learning past January 14 we will notify you in writing.

Below are a series of details regarding remote learning this Friday, January 14:

## 1. Instruction / Daily Schedule

- a. Teachers will provide lesson activities for the day on students' classroom Schoology page. Students use Schoology daily and know the drill. However, if you need Schoology support, we encourage contacting the [Schoology Help Center](#) , or by completing a [D11 Tech Support Request](#).
- b. Teachers will post all remote learning materials in Schoology by 9:00 am.
  - i. Students should plan to briefly review the lesson activities for each of their classes and develop any questions or clarification they may have beginning at 9:00.
- c. Teachers will hold live / synchronous connection to their classes and providing support for their lesson activity from 9:30-11:00 am.
  - i. Office WebEx Links will be posted in the classroom Schoology page.
  - ii. Teacher contact information is also found in the classroom Schoology page.
  - iii. Students are not required to connect with their teacher if they are clear and confident about completing the lesson activity. Teachers are available to support all their students during this time who wish to receive support.
- d. Lesson activity completion and grading expectations will be provided in Schoology.

## 2. School Contact Information and Tech Support

- a. School support staff will be on-site. Please use our main line, 719-328-3800, if you have immediate questions or concerns.
- b. Tech support can be found by completing a D11 Happy Fox tech request at <https://cssd11.happyfox.com/home/>
- c. Happy Fox requests are routed directly to District Support Technicians.

## 3. Attendance Plan

- a. Students' attendance on remote learning days will be based on successful completion of the lesson activity.
- b. Please note: if successful completion was not attainable, parents are encouraged to report their student as absent by contacting the main office at 328-3800.

## 4. Food Services

- a. D11 is providing free breakfast and lunch meals for any children ages 1-18 for any closed sites during this remote learning time. Parents and guardians may pick up "curbside" breakfast and lunch meals this Friday from 11:00am-12:00pm.



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Thank you for your understanding and support with this difficult decision. A variety of factors were reviewed in order to make this determination including: the number of staff unable to attend work, the positions and responsibilities of those staff members, and the coverage, or lack thereof, solutions for ensuring a safe learning environment.

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