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Dear CPHS Parents/Guardians,

When our staff and students transitioned to remote learning on Friday, March 12, we said that we would reassess the status of our in-person learning on Monday, March 22.

Although our closure was not mandated by public health but rather the result of a staffing shortage, we felt it important to consult with public health today to determine if the reopening of our school was safe, given the circumstances in our community.

We have determined that we now have the staff required to operate our school safely and the Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit has advised that opening our school poses no additional risk to our school community. They have also indicated that that the outbreak at our school is now over. Please see the attached letter from our public health unit.

Therefore, I'm happy to announce that our school will return to **in-person learning on Wednesday, March 24**. Students will continue with remote learning until then. Our synchronous and asynchronous programs will not be impacted by the change and will continue as usual.

Our school has undergone an intense cleaning, and as a proactive measure we will be limiting access to areas of our school that make social distancing difficult.

Upon the return to our school, we want to remind students and families of the public health requirements in place:

- It is mandatory for all Grade 9-12 students to complete the [UCDSB Secondary Student COVID-19 Screening Tool](#) prior to coming to school.
- All Grade 7-8 students/parents must complete the [provincial COVID-19 health screening tool](#) each day.
- Stay home if anyone in the household has symptoms until the symptomatic individual receives a negative COVID-19 test result or an alternate diagnosis from a health care provider.
- Masking inside our school is mandatory, the exception being when students are eating/drinking.
- Maintain social distancing of six feet or more when possible.

Practicing these measures will help to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community and keep our school a safe place to be.

The safety of our students and staff remains our top priority. Thank you again for your continued support and understanding. I am appreciative of the resiliency that our students, families and staff have shown this school year.

Sincerely,

Shelley Riddell
Principal