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**TO:** All Staff

**FROM:** Brian Wildcat, Superintendent

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**DATE:** November 18, 2020

**SUBJECT:** MESC District Wide Reset

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Tansi,

The Executive team has initiated a district wide reset as a preventative measure to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 in MESC schools. **This reset will take effect on November 20th, 2020 with an anticipated reopening date of December 7th.** The Executive will **reassess the situation on December 1st** and provide an update to all staff. This reset means:

- **All classes are paused and schools (including MESC Head Start programs) are closed to students as of Thursday, November 19th.** Classes may resume December 8th pending the reassessment on December 1st.
- Staff must **collect personal belongings** from their respective site on **Thursday, November 19th.**
- All facilities will be closed to staff and public starting **Friday, November 20th.**
- Operations and Maintenance staff will respond to emergency tasks and snow removal only.
- Custodial staff and cleaning contractors will sanitize the buildings but will not be cleaning while the facilities are vacant.
- External contractors (working outside of the facilities) will remain on site as directed by their supervisor/project lead.
- **All staff** are expected to follow the "[Employee Guidelines And Expectations During A Reset](#)" during this reset. Contact your supervisor for further instruction on working off-site.

- Teachers are expected to have a strategy to **connect with students**. Google suite (Google classroom, Hangouts and chat) can supplement personal connective technology (FaceBook, personal websites, etc.).
- Supervisors are expected to check in with and monitor staff.
- PD sessions scheduled during the reset can continue online.
- The Nanâtohk Mîciwin program will be paused from November 20th until December 6th.
- Finance will ensure essential services continue (i.e: payroll and accounts payable)

**Please everyone stay well and follow MHS/AHS recommendations:**

- **Stay home** unless it is essential to go out. (grocery shopping, picking up medication or work)
  - Shop during off-peak hours (first thing in the morning or late at night)
  - Wipe down carts and baskets
  - Reach out to friends and loved ones as often as you need. (telephone, txt, facetime, FaceBook)
- Practice **social distancing** by trying to stay **2 metres (6 feet)** apart from others.
- Follow proper **health and hygiene protocols**
  - Wash hands regularly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
  - Cough and sneeze into your shirt sleeve or tissue.
  - Keep hands away from face; eyes, nose, mouth and ears.
  - Wear a mask when in public spaces.
- **Stay home if you are not feeling well.**
- **Avoid crowds.**
  - No social gatherings inside your home or outside of the community.
  - Limit of 3 cohorts
- Stay healthy by eating healthy foods, keeping physically active, and getting enough sleep.
- Don't shake hands. Wave or nod to each other.
- Forget about the current situation, focus on your response to it. If we work together we will get through this.

Ay hai! Further updates will be sent out as the situation develops. Make sure you rest and stay safe.

Ekosi Pitima,



Brian Wildcat, Superintendent