



Fairport Harbor Exempted Village School District

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Dear Fairport Families,

I hope that you are well and preparing for the holiday season. As we have communicated throughout the year, in-person learning in a safe and productive environment continues to be our highest priority.

As many of you have heard, all school districts are experiencing critical staff shortages concerning substitute teachers and support personnel.

Despite our best efforts, some of your children have already been impacted by the shortages this school year. Several times it has been necessary to combine classes, cancel electives or Latchkey and change classroom locations. We apologize for the inconvenience that you and your student have experienced thus far.

Our staff members, to date, have done an outstanding job covering for others when there is no substitute and demonstrated incredible commitment to each other and our students. As we approach cold, flu, and COVID season, I am concerned that a time may come when we are forced to revert to online instruction.

While our goal is to continue in-person learning for our students, if it is not safely possible, it may become necessary to combine/close individual classrooms, grade levels, or transition entire buildings to remote learning. During this time, students would transition to remote learning and receive an Infinite Campus messenger notifying them of the change. We will continue to focus on COVID-19 mitigation strategies to help minimize staff and student transmissions.

If you or someone you know is qualified and interested in substitute teaching for the district, please contact our Board Office at 440-354-5400, Ext. 102.

We will make all efforts to avoid last-minute adjustments to your student's schedules. I understand the hardships caused to families by cancelations, and we will do our best to avoid them. Thank you for your continued support of our students, staff, and schools.

Sincerely,
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