



COWETA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Independent District No. 17

Jeff Holmes, Superintendent

October 3, 2020

Dear Coweta school family:

Donald P. Sloat Junior High School currently has five staff members who have tested positive for COVID-19. After considering student supervision concerns and discussing the situation with local health officials, we have made the difficult decision to transition Sloat Junior High students to distance learning in an effort to reduce the spread of the virus. This move will be effective immediately, and school is expected to resume on campus Tuesday, October 20.

****All other schools will continue to attend class on campus at this time.****

As more COVID-19 cases are being confirmed across the state, including in our community, please remain vigilant. Monitor yourself and your family for symptoms, which include fever, cough and shortness of breath. If you or any member of your family exhibit these symptoms, please contact your medical provider for advice immediately. Symptoms usually appear 2-14 days after exposure.

There is nothing more important to our district than the safety and health of our students, our staff and their families. We understand this sudden transition will be inconvenient and your child will miss being in school; however, we greatly appreciate your families' flexibility, patience and support. We are optimistic that following mitigation protocols recommended by health officials will help increase the probability that students can have a safe and productive school year.

It is an honor and a privilege to serve the students of Coweta Public Schools. Sloat Junior High teachers and staff can't wait to see their students on campus again on October 20.

Sincerely,

Jeff Holmes
Superintendent