



# COWETA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Independent District No. 17

Jeff Holmes, Superintendent

November 8, 2020

Dear Coweta school family:

Coweta High School and Intermediate High School currently have ten staff members and seventy-one students who are in quarantine and one staff member and 4 students who have tested positive for COVID-19. Some of the positive test results came over the weekend so contact tracing continues, and the quarantine numbers are expected to increase. After considering student health and supervision concerns, we have made the difficult decision to transition all 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students to distance learning in an effort to reduce the spread of the virus. This move will be effective immediately for the next two weeks. School is expected to resume on campus, Tuesday, December 1, following Thanksgiving break and a district distance drill day on Monday, November 30.

**\*\*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 family's flexibility, patience and support. We are optimistic that following mitigation protocols recommended by health officials will help increase the probability that students will return to a safe and productive school year.

It is an honor and a privilege to serve the students of Coweta Public Schools. Coweta High School and Intermediate High School teachers and staff can't wait to see their students on campus again on Tuesday, December 1.

Sincerely,

Jeff Holmes  
Superintendent