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## 2020-2021 School Year Learning Model Family Update

October 29, 2020

### Remaining in Hybrid Learning

Dear Families:

Today's Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) published county-wide number for Waseca County was 36.38 for the period 10/4 - 10/17. When separating out the correctional facility resident case rate, the community spread case rate is projected to be around 25. Looking ahead to the 14-day period 10/11 - 10/24 to be published next week on November 5, the overall case rate is projected to be in the 24 - 28 range with a non-correctional facility case rate within that same range.

Today's Steele County number was 34.35 for the period 10/4-10/17. The case rate is projected to be in the range of 23 - 27 for the period 10/11 - 10/24 to be published next week. Today's Freeborn County number was 22.6. The case rate is projected to increase to the upper 20s and potentially into the lower 30s for the period 10/11-10/24 to be published next week.

We have experienced an increase this week in quarantine numbers among both students and staff. We have also experienced three positive cases within our school community this week. At this time, we plan to remain in *Hybrid Learning* for both buildings, but this could change with short notice if it is determined we are unable to staff to the appropriate level needed in either building, and/or if the number of positive cases increase to the point we need to move to *distance learning* for a period of time in one or both buildings.

We continue to work closely with county and state public health officials in monitoring the most relevant information and metrics that will guide our learning model decisions. Thank you for all you are doing to take care of yourself, your family, and those around you.

Dale Carlson, Superintendent