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To Monroeville School District Parents and Students,

After reviewing the Health Dept. COVID-19 data for the past week I believe we need to respond appropriately. Our zip code is now Red, based on the latest data I do not see that changing. I believe the correct response at this time is for the district to go Level Orange from Thanksgiving through Christmas break with all students and staff returning on Jan. 4th if conditions improve.

Under Level Orange beginning Monday, November 30th students Pre-K through Grade 8 will continue to attend in person 5 days a week. Transportation and Food Service will continue to function as scheduled daily. Grade 9-12 students will attend virtually. HS staff will report for their normal work hours in person. Athletic teams will continue their current schedules for practice and games. We will allow pre-approved small school groups to come in on an as needed basis. Those requests would flow through the building principals and would be of an academic nature only.

I believe Level Orange makes the most sense for us at this time. The issues we have currently and have had with quarantines and positive tests have primarily involved HS students and some staff. Obviously if we were to go 100% virtual our youngest students would suffer the most academically. Also, the childcare issues for parents would be the greatest with our younger students. We will continue to provide breakfast and lunch for students grades 9-12 through scheduled daily pickup. High School 9-12 breakfast and lunch details will be determined and announced later this week.

If you have questions, call your student's school. Our district has a good plan in place; we simply need to follow it.

Everyone take care, be safe and continue to follow all of the COVID-19 Protocols. <u>Level Orange Plan</u> details can be found on the District Webpage under the Latest News Tab by clicking on the COVID-19 Dashboard and then clicking on the District Re-Opening Plan.

Respectfully.

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