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> Susie Da Silva, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Faculty and Families,

I hope this communication finds you well- you received many this week. As much as possible, I will try to limit email correspondence to Friday's or Covid-19 updates. That said, there are weeks where doing that will be difficult, this was one of them. I have included a number of recaps.

"Halloween" will likely mean something different for families this year. We remind everyone to do their part to keep our community and schools safe.

Don't forget to "fall back" this weekend...enjoy an extra hour of sleep. On Tuesday, November 3, Election Day, schools will be closed for students.

Enjoy your weekend.

Warmly,

Susie

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A Few Bits

Reopening Update

Please click <u>here</u> for an important update on the reopening of school- sent earlier today.

The Board of Education meeting that took place on October 26 may be viewed here.

Weather Emergency Process/Procedures

A weather emergency communication on the District's processes and procedures was emailed to parents and staff on October 29. You can find it <u>here.</u>

COVID-19 Update

There have been many questions about the process of quarantine. I have attached a memo from Aaron Crook, RN <u>here.</u> In addition, RPS COVID-19 Data can be found on the <u>District</u> <u>website-</u> the COVID-19 Information tab can be found on the right side.

The <u>attached letter</u> was shared with faculty, students and families on October 28. Its purpose was to outline the decision making process on learning models/temporary school closures. This letter aims to clarify questions in the shifts of models (just like today!)

RPS Highlights

Enjoy the RPS News here!

<u>Ridgefield Tiger Talk</u>: This week we bring you the podcast earlier than normal to talk to our special guest, Ridgefield's First Selectman Rudy Marconi about how the Town is handling Halloween this year. Even though the Main Street event has been canceled, we talk about other things going on in the Town, what you can do in your neighborhood, and how the community can help during this uptick in COVID cases. Thanks for listening!

Don't forget to follow *fun* and important news on social media at: *Twitter:* @RPS_DaSilva *Instagram:* rpssuper

Meal Pick ** Please note change for this coming week**

Meal distribution to any Ridgefield student age 18 and younger at East Ridge Middle School will continue with distributions on Monday (up to 2 meals each), Wednesday (up to 2 meals each) and Friday (up to 3 meals each) 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Quote of the Week

Teaching is the essential profession, the one that makes all professions possible. – David Haselkorn