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Dear Students, Staff, Parent/Guardians, Community Members;

We have spent today speaking with medical advisors, Superintendents in Cumberland and York County, and other professionals. The pandemic that is before us is unprecedented and we are working furiously to develop alternatives and plan for the unknown.

As a result of all of our data gathering, we believe it is prudent at this time to cancel school for students on Monday, March 16, 2020. Staff should plan to attend work as usual to take part in the planning for possible long-term closure and to learn about what is needed to continue to educate, feed, and clean the school environments for students.

We believe that we will have more information through the weekend and will be able to make better choices about intermediate and long-term decisions. We will communicate to you on Monday as early as possible what our next steps will be going forward.

Please understand that all of our time and our energy will be spent on this multifaceted issue and we will not always be available to immediately answer individual questions.

There is always an opportunity in every tragic event and it is my hope that the silver lining is that we work together for the benefit of all citizens.

Thank you for your anticipated support and understanding.

Sincerely,

Paul K. Perzanoski