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JFK School Community,

Good afternoon, I hope this letter finds you doing well.

Our first week of hybrid and remote learning have concluded. I am sure you can attest to the emotional unrest and uncertainties associated with a new way of schooling; however, we are now underway and progressing with less obstruction. Our technology infrastructure appeared to handle the increased bandwidth use in stride. Our technology department will continue to monitor network usage and assess where improvements are possible. The iPads were a little more complex with their integration. We crossed several platforms to provide an all-encompassing experience and tool. As we delve further into digital learning, the utility of the iPad will serve our students well.

We will continue to assess the traffic loops and bussing logistics. Please bear in mind, we lost a large amount of property with the renovation underway. We will continually evaluate where further improvements are possible.

The students appear settled-in with our new procedures and protocols. They have really stepped-up in keeping ALL safe by properly wearing their masks and remaining social distant. We respectfully request that you do not send students to school with filtered masks. These are not approved by the CDC (more here). Thank you...

Please take some time to familiarize yourself with our website. We have updated our academic team page. From this



page you are able to find your child's academic team and identify key JFK personnel. In the event you need to contact your child's educator, please utilize our user-friendly email directory.

Last, another resource that we have available to you is Community Health Center (CHC). CHC is a great resource for many students new or returning to JFK. The middle school years may pose complex challenges for our developing students. CHC offers School Based Mental Health Services to all of our students with both in person and telehealth services. Please contact Eileen Adler, LCSW if your student could benefit from counseling. Mrs. Adler can be reached at 860 253-5447 or adlere@chcl.com.

We appreciate your patience and continued support during this challenging time...

Respectfully,

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