Turkeyfoot Valley Area School District

172 Turkeyfoot Road, Confluence, PA 15424

Mrs. Nicole L. Dice Superintendent Mr. Christopher Shilk *Principal*

Mrs. Amanda Younkin Business Manager Mrs. Teresa Cook. Guidance Counselor

January 14, 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The district was notified of additional positive COVID-19 cases in the Turkeyfoot Valley Elementary and High Schools. Given the number of positive cases and high number of students needing to work virtually, the district will move to remote learning for Tuesday, January 18, 2022 through Friday, January 21, 2022. All students will work from home next week from Tuesday through Friday. Please note that Monday is an ACT 80 Day for staff so classes will not be in session on Monday. Any close contacts among staff and students will not return until well and quarantine periods have ended. Contact tracing is being completed and close contacts are being notified by district staff. The department of health will continue to contact trace as part of the COVID-19 protocols and contact any additional close contacts.

The school has, and will continue to, disinfect and clean throughout the day and each evening. The facilities, classrooms, and buses are disinfected nightly. The district is following all PA Department of Health guidelines for cleaning, disinfecting, and quarantining. Additional deep cleaning will be conducted during the remote learning days.

The remote learning days will be on January 18, January 19, January 20, and January 21 with students returning to in-person instruction on January 24, 2022. Students will work from home during the school day with real-time online instruction provided by their teachers. Students should log in to their online accounts for Schoology to check in with their teachers and receive instructions for their courses for the day. Students using the Summit platform can work with their teachers through Summit as well. Teachers will be teaching live on Zoom and the learning platform for instruction following your child's class schedule. Links to the teacher zoom meetings will be posted on the Schoology page for each teacher. We understand that parents may need to work with their child after school hours so please be sure your child notifies their teacher they are working and the reason they cannot attend live sessions during the day by sending a message to your child's teacher on the Schoology platform.

Students will be provided lunch on the four remote learning days. The district will send lunches on the buses and vans to all current bus stops Tuesday through Friday of next week. We encourage you to pick up a lunch at your child's bus stop on the remote learning days. Lunches will be delivered to the bus stops following a 4-hour delay schedule. For example: If your child's bus stop time is 7:00am, the bus will drop off lunches at approximately 11:00am on the remote learning days. Please give a buffer of time before and after the bus stop time as we continue to work through this process. We will send a phone message if we encounter any delays in lunch delivery.

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If your child needs paper packets to complete their work please message your child's teacher on Schoology so paper packets can be delivered to your child with their lunch. If your child needs a charger cord for their district device or if you have any questions about technology please send a message to Mrs. Barlow on Schoology or contact Mrs. Barlow at the following information: mbarlow@turkeyfoot.k12.pa.us; 814-395-3621 extension 208.

Students who attend the Somerset County Technology Center (SCTC) will work remotely during the district remote days. Turkeyfoot athletic practices will be cancelled during the remote learning days. Thank you for your willingness to work with the district as we continue to navigate this pandemic. If you or your child have any questions please reach out to the classroom teacher or administration. Our goal is for your child to receive a quality education with their health and well-being as our primary focus.

Sincerely,

Nicole & Dice

Mrs. Nicole L. Dice Superintendent Family Movie Night will be cancelled for tonight January 14.

We hope to reschedule the event later this month or in February.

We look forward to resuming when the pandemic subsides.