

Kelly M. Lyman  
Superintendent

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Dear Mansfield Families,

Thank you for completing the survey regarding bus transportation. It is helpful to know which students will be transported by families. After careful analysis of the routes, it was determined that it is best to keep the number of routes we are currently operating. Despite a few shortages last week, the M&J bus manager assigned to Mansfield was able to reassign students to other buses reducing delays. We are encouraged by the recent return of drivers who had been on medical leave and the addition of a driver new to the company. We also did not experience any walk-outs this morning as suggested by weekend news reports. We are very grateful for our drivers!

By now you have all seen the communications regarding incidents of school community members who tested positive for COVID-19. Please know that we continue to work very closely with Eastern Highlands Health District on each case and are following the guidelines established by the CDC and our state and local health departments with regards to identification of close contacts and quarantine requirements. We know it can be disruptive for a child to need to quarantine and have worked with each family to provide continuing instructional support during this time. For a complete review of our procedures, please see our Continuity of Learning Plan found here: <http://mansfieldct.gov/DocumentCenter/View/11534/Continuity-of-Learning-Plan-8-31-2021?bidId=>

While on our website, I also encourage you to review the recently published District Development Plan. This plan is the result of the Board of Education's five-year strategic planning initiative. Last fall many members of our public participated in this initiative by responding to surveys or attending focus group sessions. This input was used to revise our mission statement, articulate an updated set of Core Beliefs, and identify actions to bring this work to life in our schools. Please view the district plan here: <http://mansfieldct.gov/DocumentCenter/View/12075/Mansfield-Schools-District-Development-Plan--2021-22> and see your school principal for the school's action plan.

Sincerely,



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