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Dear UASD Community,

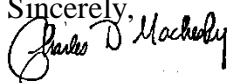
We continue to share the most up-to-date information with you as we monitor the community spread of COVID 19 to make informed decisions to protect the health and safety of our students and staff.

With record number of new cases being reported in the last week, Fayette county remains at the substantial level of community spread for the week of November 27<sup>th</sup> – December 3<sup>rd</sup>. The incidence rate increased to 354.9 residents infected per 100,000 and the positivity rate is now 15.4%. According an article entitled “A Crisis Point” in the Herald Standard on Monday, December 7, 2020, the Uniontown Hospital has 4 times the number of COVID patients than it typically had on a daily basis in the spring equating to over a third of the entire hospital capacity being occupied by COVID patients.

Therefore, to help mitigate the community spread, it is necessary for UASD to remain remote until after the holiday break. This decision is in alignment with all other Fayette County school districts attending the Fayette County Career and Technical Institute. Please note the subsequent school calendar changes:

- **All students will remain on remote instruction until in-person learning resumes again on January 4<sup>th</sup>.**
- **December 22, 2020 was originally planned as an early dismissal, that will now be a full day of instruction with students following their regular schedule.**

We must all work together at this difficult time in history to help our community stay healthy. We hope that students and staff are able to enjoy an unparalleled holiday break.

Sincerely,  


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Superintendent of Schools