Monday, December 7, 2020

Greetings,

At J. Addison, the safety and well-being of our students and their families is our primary concern. With the onset of the Winter Holiday Break that will run from Friday, December 18, 2020 to Monday, January 4, 2021, we have decided to keep J. Addison closed for high school in-class learning for the first week after the Winter Holiday Break. As the holidays generally bring social gatherings, the likeliness that this will lead to an increase in the community spread of COVID-19 is greater. Many researchers expect that the holiday break could spike community spread and they recommend that all contacts, during the Christmas Break, should be limited between households within the home.

Online classes will be held for all high school day students from Monday, January 4, 2021 to Friday, January 8, 2021. Regular in-school classes will continue to resume for all students on Monday, January 11, 2021. Montessori and Elementary classes are not affected and will resume normally on January 4, 2021.

All support staff and teaching staff will be at school to support our dorm students and continue with online classes from January 4 to 11, 2021. During this week, we are asking parents and students to stay at home as much as possible and avoid any unnecessary travelling.

We are encouraging families to begin preparing for a much different holiday season and begin thinking of creative ways to celebrate safely, such as getting together virtually. The lowest risk for spread is to celebrate with your own household and with as few other people as possible. Together we can curb the vast spreading of COVID-19 and keep everyone safe and healthy during the holidays this year.

We hope with the coming of the New Year along with the advent of the new vaccines, we can resume normalcy in the near future.

We wish everyone a joyous, peaceful, safe and healthy holiday!

Sincerely,

Lee Venditti,
Principal