



Dear JVS Students, Families and Staff,

Unfortunately, due to the rising COVID-19 case numbers in the community, we are moving to remote instruction. At this point, we have not determined how long we will be operating remotely; however, we hope to be back in-person as soon as possible.

Please keep in mind that, although there have been active cases among both our students and staff, there have NOT been any cases of transmission of COVID-19 in our building. This is due to the efforts of everyone at the JVS. While I'm sad that we're moving to remote instruction, I know that everyone has done all they can to keep our building open.

After surveying staff and parents, as well as talking with our associate districts, we have decided to add a synchronous piece to JVS remote instruction. Synchronous learning happens when the class meets and interacts in a specific virtual place at a set time. Students will be expected to log in to Microsoft Teams and to attend classes. They will follow their current schedule using a real time model--that means students will "see" their teachers in much the same way as they have so far this year and will continue with virtual learning on the days when they do not have live meetings. We will take attendance for all live meetings in the same way that we take attendance in classes at the JVS. A daily schedule that takes us through Thanksgiving is attached to this email. Expect additional communication regarding adjustments to the schedule at that time.

We are going to start our synchronous classes on Wednesday, November 18th. Students will have Monday, November 16th and Tuesday, November 17th off from school. Teachers will have professional development sessions and work time to prepare for the transition.

We know that you have many questions. Feel free to send them to us via email at [mchampagne@lcjvs.net](mailto:mchampagne@lcjvs.net). We will incorporate as many answers as we can in our email correspondence next week. There will be much more information headed your way!

I hope we won't be remote for long, but I know that, whatever happens, our team is going to do the best they can for our students.

Thank you,

*Tina Pelto*

High School Principal