FREWSBURG CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Frewsburg Community,

Today marks one year since the Governor closed all schools to in-person instruction due to COVID-19. Although this is not an anniversary that is met with positive celebration, it is one that should be recognized for the teamwork put forth by our district and our community in dealing with this adversity. Facing an unprecedented challenge, our district pivoted to remote instruction, and our staff prepared and delivered meals "to-go". When the predicted two weeks continued into the rest of the year, we grew and adapted. Teachers and students, with considerable assistance from parents and other caregivers, learned to use new technologies on the fly to do their best to keep students connected and educationally engaged. As we worked our way through this time, our district and community came together as a team for our children to make the best of a challenging and trying situation.

When it came time to create a reopening plan, the Frewsburg Central School District did so with the fundamental belief that our students need to be physically present in school. Again, the district and the community worked as a team, making it possible to bring all of our students into school five days per week. For those families who required more time to transition to this goal, we partnered with parents to provide a rigorous remote option. We continually work to refine our processes to meet our goal of keeping students on track, so they may re-enter at any time on par with their in-person classmates.

Andrew Carnegie once said, "Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishment toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results." With your support, we have overcome many obstacles to provide our students with the ability to attend school full-time in-person or virtually. Our students are so fortunate to have all of us working together toward that common vision to attain these uncommon results.

The strength and resiliency of this district and community are truly amazing. Thank you for the part you have played in helping us to open our doors to our students and evolve through ever-changing conditions to create the best possible environment for the children in our care. Your continued support and trust are so greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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