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All,

Today at or around 2:17 PM we received the attached document titled ***“Updates to Guidance on Interpreting DPH COVID-19 Health Metrics”***. This document, from Jeffrey Riley our Commissioner of Education, identifies that there is a change in the Massachusetts Department of Public Health’s methodology for identifying a community’s weekly designation in a COVID-19 world. The memo further shares the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education expectations for learning in Massachusetts public schools under these designations.

This was on the heels of a Governor Charlie Baker press conference today that included the Secretary of Health and Human Services Sudders, Secretary of Education Peyser, Commissioner Riley and a pediatrician from Worcester, MA.
<https://www.mass.gov/governor-updates>

I want to assure the Dudley-Charlton RSD community that we take this information serious and will continue to plan and provide ongoing updates to the school committee and community. As previously shared, our current plan design can move to full in-person learning with minimal disruptions or changes to teacher assignments. This is not to suggest that we are there today, but, and again, what was shared today provides evidence and support from the highest levels of our state. This will continue to be a herculean effort and our work remains steadfast with the health, safety and well-being of all member of the Dudley-Charlton RSD community. Again, this information does not indicate an identifiable date of change in our current plan but does provide more information for our planning.

Lastly, it is important that we continue to collectively recognize the efforts of our educators and families alike. This is the most difficult type of learning and teaching we have ever experienced. The required patience and understanding from everyone does boggle the mind, but it is sincerely respected and appreciated.

I wish everyone an enjoyable, unseasonably warm weekend.

Respectfully,

Steven M. Lamarche

Superintendent of Schools

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