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Dear RSU 9 Community,

As evidenced in our Health Notices over the past few weeks, we have had an increase in cases of COVID-19 in our RSU 9 schools, paralleling the increase in our county and state. This rise has had an impact on our in-person learning models, as well as access to after-school activities. We know that we are all experiencing fatigue as we continue through our second spring with the impact of COVID-19 on our lives. It has been a challenging year, and we appreciate your continued commitment to ensuring that our schools and communities are as safe and healthy as possible.

As we head into our final break of the year, we wanted to share a few updates and reminders.

1. We recognize that many families may be traveling during April break. If you plan to travel, please refer to the Governor's [Travel Guidance for Schools](#) for up-to-date testing requirements, quarantine timelines, and other special considerations.
2. We have started seeing symptoms that are normally associated with seasonal allergies with our recent positive COVID-19 cases. If your child has symptoms over the break, even if you think they may be allergy-related, we suggest that you contact your physician.
3. If your child tests positive for COVID-19 during April break, please notify the RSU 9 Central Office by completing this online [form](#) or by calling 778-6571 between 8 am and 4 pm Tuesday thru Friday.

We thank you for all you are doing to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and we also want to ask you to maintain your diligence in following health and safety guidelines over the April break in order to maximize in-person learning upon our return to school. RSU 9 schools will reopen on Monday, April 26, which will be a BLUE day for our students. Enjoy our beautiful state and community as we transition to the hopeful season of spring.

Sincerely,

Monique Poulin
Interim Superintendent

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