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Dear Saxons,

As we enter the Thanksgiving season, we thank you for your flexibility, grace, and understanding as we navigate these uncharted waters in education. The COVID-19 variables have certainly created problems with program planning, staffing, extra-curricular activities, and many other issues within our school system. However, we have also grown together as a Saxon family and community impacting our students in many positive ways.

Making sure our students and staff are safe is our number one priority. We make decisions based on guidance from the Health Department, collaborating with neighboring districts, and understanding our staff capacity to provide an elite level education to all our students.

Having taken that into consideration, Hastings Area School System has made the decision to suspend face-to-face learning for K-12 students through January 15, 2021. We will continue virtual instruction from now until that date, and hopefully come back to face-to-face learning on January 18, 2021. Building level administrators will be in contact with you to provide details of virtual instruction, packet pickup, food service, and extra-curricular activities.

Again, thank you for your continued support and understanding through these times. We hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving, and please be safe.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Goebel
Interim Superintendent
Hastings Area School System