November 23, 2020

Dear Middlebury Academy Families,

Thank you for being a part of Middlebury Academy. We know this school year has brought many surprises and challenges for our families and scholars. Through it all, we have had a great transition back to school, but, unfortunately, in an overabundance of caution, the global pandemic is causing us to shift and transition back 100% virtual learning for all scholars.

With the increase in COVID-19 cases in Ohio, Middlebury Academy will cancel in-person instructional lessons effective **Monday**, **November 30**, **2020**. Our school building will remain closed until **Monday**, **January 11**, **2021**. Though our building will close, we are excited that we have provided our scholars with the tools and resources so that learning can continue. We will still deliver live virtual instruction Monday-Friday using our online learning platform Blackboard. Contact your scholar's teacher for information on how your scholar should log into class each day.

In addition, we are going to continue to support our scholars with our supplemental food program. Food distribution will continue to take place weekly each Monday. All food bundles include both breakfast and lunch.

• 5-day food breakfast/lunch bundle distribution will begin Monday, November 30, 2020

Many of you know that one of our top priorities for the 2020-2021 school year, has been to ensure the safety of Middlebury Academy staff, scholars and families. We implemented strong plans to support that effort including smaller classroom sizes, temperature checks, revised dismissal and drop-off procedures, utilizing building sanitation systems, and providing protective equipment. Unfortunately, the surge of cases in Summit County in this global pandemic is forcing our school and schools in our community to elevate safety precautions with closure for the rest of the calendar year.

Middlebury Academy will continue to keep families in our thoughts. We will continue to provide support in various ways as we try to overcome the challenges of this pandemic together. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Assistance can also be provided through contacting our PLA Help Desk and Call Center by dialing 888.655.0777.

Sincerely,

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