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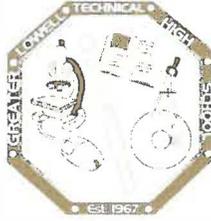
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January 15, 2021

Dear Greater Lowell Tech Families,

This letter is to provide you with an update on recent changes to the public health data. Based on the Massachusetts Department of Public Health COVID-19 Report for this week, January 15, 2021:

The Average Daily Incidence Rate number of cases per 100,000 residents (last 14 days) for the City of Lowell is **88.0, up from 78.8** last week. Lowell continues to remain in the “red” or “higher risk” category again this week. The “percent positivity rate” (the percentage of tests that are positive in Lowell) is **10.42%, up from 10.15%** last week. The positivity rate for the city of Lowell remains above the current state average of **7.5%** and the data continues to indicate a significant community spread.

Based on the trends in the current health data and maintaining our commitment to prioritizing the safety of our students and staff, we will continue with the current full remote learning model. We will continue to work with the Lowell Board of Health to monitor trends in the COVID-19 data and will provide you with any updates in advance of a decision to transition our students back to a hybrid learning model when safe to do so. The Reopening Task Force is currently working to put together a tentative timeline which will be forthcoming.

Thank you in advance for your patience, flexibility and partnership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Jill Davis'.

Jill Davis

Superintendent-Director