March 13, 2020

Dear Tri-County Families and Faculty/Staff,

The superintendents and executive directors of the school districts and special education collaboratives of the Tri-County Roundtable have developed a coordinated plan to close all of our schools for at least one week, starting Monday, March 16, 2020, in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

The Tri-County Roundtable is a professional association comprised of the following school districts and special education collaboratives: ACCEPT Collaborative, Ashland, Dedham, Dover Sherborn, Framingham, Franklin, Holliston, Hopkinton, King Philip Regional, Maynard, Medfield, Medway, Millis, Natick, Needham, Norfolk, Norfolk County Agricultural School, Plainville, South Middlesex Regional Vocational Technical School, The Education Cooperative, Tri County Regional Vocational School, Walpole, Wellesley, Westwood, and Wrentham.

We decided this in consultation with our local boards of health and medical and scientific experts in our communities. Several factors influenced our decision. We reviewed the recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, and Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. We considered the impact of the virus on the vulnerable members of our communities. Finally, we recognized the challenges of fostering learning in the atmosphere of uncertainty created by this unprecedented situation.

In the case of Tri-County RVTHS, we will be closing though Friday March 20th. After Friday March 20, we will reassess the impact of the Coronavirus at Tri-County and decide the next course of action.

Thank you for your patience and support.

Sincerely,

Stephen F Dockray
Superintendent