Dear Parents,

First, let me thank you for your support and understanding as we responded to the unexpected invasion of COVID-19 in March. I am very proud of the way our GCS students, parents, employees, and community leaders handled the demands of the crisis. In consultation with the Decatur County Health Department it has become evident that we need to shut down our schools. The shutdown should allow the current outbreak to pass and give us time to do some deep cleaning in the buildings. The collective effort of our community and schools have allowed us to stay open for twelve straight weeks.
Our student learning will take place online, in all of our buildings, from November 2, 2020 to November 27, 2020. We will return for in-school learning on Monday, November 30.

We made this decision due to the following circumstances:
1. The rise in local COVID 19 cases this past week.
2. The number of staff affected by quarantine.
3. The number of students affected by quarantine.
4. The number of bus drivers affected by quarantine.

Our priority is to keep everyone safe while not making life more difficult for our students, staff, and parents. Each family situation is uniquely different. We fully understand your varied concerns about health and safety, distance learning, the importance of face-to-face instruction, parents needing to work, the economy, and all of the other unexpected consequences of not being in school. We will be in constant communication over the next two weeks to keep you informed. I encourage parents to visit our webpages, student email accounts, and to follow our social media for up to date and accurate information. We ask that you continue to report any positive cases and/or any contact traced quarantines during the school closure to your child's school office.

Rely upon the information made available to you through:
1. School District website. It will contain connections to other sites with needed information. www.greensburg.k12.in.us
2. Computer assistance – Email techteam@greensburg.k12.in.us
3. Curriculum questions – Refer to your classroom teacher through google classroom, seesaw, or itslearning.
4. Food Service questions – Refer to the Corporation website for help. www.greensburg.k12.in.us
5. General questions – Contact your building principal or teacher.

Thank you,
Tom Hunter, Superintendent
Greensburg Schools