

January 13, 2022

Re: Heritage Park Middle School Functional Closure January 14th to January 19th

## Dear Parents/Guardians:

Last week a letter from me outlined the possibility of 'functional closures' in buildings in the District. Due to higher than usual staffing absences at Heritage Park Middle School this week, I have determined that operationally we will need to close the school as a functional closure for the next week due to staff shortages in the building. These shortages impact the learning and safety of students in the building. Therefore, we will be moving to remote learning from now until Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. Remote learning will commence Friday afternoon, January 14<sup>th</sup>. School will reopen Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.

I know this will cause considerable challenges for some families and is not a desirable situation for any of us. I apologize for any difficulties this unexpected event places on families. If you are an essential service healthcare worker or MPSD staff we will offer some limited supervision at the school, as we will for some students with complex support needs. Please contact Principal Condon if you have questions about these supports.

You should expect contact or instruction from your child's teachers by tomorrow afternoon. If there are any educational questions, you can contact Principal Condon or your classroom teachers. For other issues, as always, you can contact me at <a href="mailto:angus.wilson@mpsd.ca">angus.wilson@mpsd.ca</a>. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we are sorry for any difficulties it causes.

Sincerely,

**Angus Wilson** 

Superintendent of Schools



