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As I look ahead to the start of SY 2021-22, I write to share that the district will terminate the plan to open a K-5 online learning program, which had been considered for much of the past spring. In tracking anticipated enrollment, the importance of early literacy programs, better-supporting students' social/emotional needs, I decided to cancel further planning for the K-5 Farmington Cyber Academy. Instead, I asked the Early Learning Curriculum and Instruction Department to review and strengthen the district's plan to accelerate the learning for all students.

For those families currently expressing an interest in remote learning, they will be notified of learning options, including an invitation to return to their resident schools or offer families choosing to continue in virtual world options of online learning platforms available through NMPED.

To be clear, the decision to terminate the online program option is for elementary. However, middle and high school leaders will continue to develop online learning and credit recovery programs.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eugene Schmidt".

Dr. Eugene Schmidt