FOXBOROUGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS



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Dear Foxborough School Community,

As you may be aware, Massachusetts Governor Maura Healy recently declared a state of emergency concerning the ongoing migrant crisis. Like other communities, Foxborough is one of many required to come to the aid of those who have been forced from their homes. We were notified by the town that beginning as early as next week, the Commonwealth will place as many as 93 families in a hotel in Foxborough to serve as long term, temporary housing. This will take place on a staggered basis, beginning as early as next week.

Our responsibility as a public school district is always clear as we must provide free and equal access to education and educational services to all of the children in our community.

We are in communication with the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) and the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities, and we are working to ensure adequate capacity, resources and even school supplies so that we are ready for any and all new students who may join us for the upcoming school year.

In our ongoing discussions with DESE, we have been informed that the state will be providing immediate funding assistance to school districts on a per pupil basis.

While it is too soon to know information at a granular—building/program/classroom—level, we expect that, like every new school year, each member of our community will interact with newly arriving families. Our FPS leadership team will be in regular contact with Town leaders and public safety officials to ensure that Foxborough is providing for all the basic needs of our new residents. Foxborough will certainly show these families the wonderful community we are known for.

Please also find attached here a letter shared from the Town of Foxborough.

Sincerely,

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