March 18, 2021

Bath School Community,

Last week the Michigan State Legislature passed House Bill 4048 which ties dispersal of COVID-19 relief funds for schools to the amount of time our students are learning *in person*. The State is requiring school districts to offer at least 20 hours of in person instruction per week to qualify for the funds. This law goes into effect starting Monday, March 22nd.

In order to meet the requirements of the law we will need to extend our face-to-face instructional time at the elementary school by 30 minutes a day for March 22nd - March 25th. Elementary school students will be released at 12:30 p.m. next week. This will only be an issue for next week. Beginning on April 5th, the elementary school will be joining the middle school and high school with full day schedules. The middle school and high school currently meet the new hours requirement without any adjustments.

I am very sorry for the inconvenience this may cause for you, your student and your family. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Paul Hartsig Superintendent