

Dear Longwood Board of Education, Administrators, Staff, and Families,

March 12, 2021 marks the one year anniversary of all public schools being shut down due to the COVID-19 pandemic. While life changed and we were faced with many adversities, we also learned a lot about ourselves and our community. Students stepped up to donate masks and food supplies to front line workers. Staff members worked to distribute meals to families in need on a daily basis. Parades were planned. Videos created. Our community stepped up in the face of a global pandemic.

Our Board of Education, administrators, teachers, teachers' assistants, clerical, staff assistants, buildings and grounds crew, security guards, custodians, nurses, kitchen staff, lunch monitors, bus drivers and of course, the Longwood community worked together and realized we are not alone. While we may have hit some bumps along the way, we will continue to get through these tough times together and work to keep our students' safety a priority.

As commemoration of one year from when COVID-19 closed our schools, please join us, and districts around Suffolk County, in wearing red on March 12 for **RED FOR ED DAY**, to show the strength and unity within our Longwood school community. We will continue to get through this **together**.

If you take pictures, please send them to vp2@middleislandteachers.org. THANK YOU!!

