## **Eustis School Department Stratton School**

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Dear Stratton School Family and Community;

After a day of planning and discussion with not only our school community but other school districts from Rangeley to Augusta, we have decided to cancel school for Friday, October 27th, 2023.

Although we recognize we are quite a distance from the incident in Lewiston, there are several reasons for this decision. First, with the suspect still at-large, and no definitive leads shared with the public about his whereabouts, we prefer to err on the side of caution and safety. Although social media has presented various connections to our community, we rely on law enforcement reports in our decision-making and encourage all of you to do the same. We applaud the efforts of all law enforcement agencies to share pertinent facts as they are verified.

Additionally, the Stratton School staff will be meeting to create a plan for returning to school. We recognize there are members of our community with family and friends in the Lewiston area that will be impacted by these events and we want to coordinate our efforts to provide assistance.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding, especially in this difficult situation.

Sincerely,

Barry O. London



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