



Public Schools of Plainfield New Jersey

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Greetings Plainfield Students, Families, Staff and the Plainfield Community:

I pray this correspondence finds you and your family safe and well. On Monday, May 4, 2020, Governor Phil Murphy announced that all school buildings in New Jersey will remain closed for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. Although our District will be closed for face-to-face instruction, we will continue to provide remote learning throughout the end of the academic year. We are committed to supporting your child(ren) academically and emotionally during this COVID-19 Pandemic.

Third quarter report cards were mailed on May 1st. If you did not receive your child's report card, please contact your child's principal. During the fourth marking period, students will not receive a paper "progress report" card however, parents will be able to view grades in Genesis.

We will continue to update our Emergency Preparedness Plan as we receive new information from the New Jersey State Department of Education.

Additional updates are as follows:

- **Teaching and Learning** - Virtual Instruction will continue online as it has been for the past month. Students will follow the curriculum set for their grade level. Students will continue to follow their school schedules and continue to communicate with their teachers. It is important to note assessments will be administered notwithstanding state-mandated standardized testing which has been suspended for this academic year. Families and/or students will not be penalized for hardship beyond their control.

- **Admissions** - We welcome prospective families into the Plainfield Public Schools District. If you have any questions regarding registration requirements please forward your questions via email to: Patricia Sias at psias@plainfield.k12.nj.us. For Pre-K registration please send your emails to Divina Guzman at divguzman@plainfield.k12.nj.us. Information regarding the process may be located at www.plainfieldnj12.org at **Online Registration**.
- **Graduation and End of the School Year** - The last day of school is June 22. We are planning a virtual graduation for the Class of 2020. Graduation Committees at PAAAS and PHS have been diligently working to determine how their special day will look virtually. Graduation will be a student-driven plan for their enjoyment and unforgettable memory.
- **Extra-curricular activities and athletics events** - Are suspended while the buildings are closed.
- **Free breakfast and lunch for students** - Will continue to be served daily from 10 -12 noon at five of our school sites.
- **School buildings and offices are closed to students and the public.** If you are a staff member who need to collect any items from your building, please contact your school's principal or immediate supervisor for an appointment.
- **Communications** – All communications will continue to be disseminated via all social media platforms in addition to mailings, school messenger, electronic notifications and the media. We urge parents and students to visit the District website regularly to keep track of the latest news.

As a gentle reminder, please continue to practice social distancing, wear face mask/coverings to stop the spread of the Coronavirus as our city has reported over 1,700 positive cases. Information for parents will continue to be updated on our COVID-19 and Parent Resources pages on www.Plainfieldnj12.org. We thank you for your continued support, patience, and flexibility during this time. Stay safe, stay healthy, and stay connected to us via our website at www.plainfieldnj12.us

Sincerely,

Diana Mitchell, Ed.D., Superintendent