DELRAN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

52 Hartford Rd., Delran NJ, 08075

"dedicated to nurturing a supportive, student-centered environment where all people are treated with dignity and respect"

March 17, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am writing to offer an update regarding the District response to COVID-19.

<u>Distance Learning Plan</u>

Grades Pre-K through Grade 5

Instructional packets will be mailed home for students in grades Pre-K-5. Remote instruction begins Thursday. Please contact your child's principal via email if you do not receive the packet by March 21, 2020.

Students are to work on the daily lessons in the packets and teachers will be communicating with parents/guardians throughout the closure to see if their students need any support.

Please feel free to email your child's teacher or building administration anytime throughout the closure with questions. If your child does not have any independent reading materials at home, please contact your child's principal and arrangements will be made to get materials to you as soon as possible.

Grade 6 through Grade 12

Student assignments will be posted on Google Classroom for Grades 6 through 12. Students should login daily to Google Classroom to complete assigned activities for all classes. Teachers are ready to support students through Google Classroom or email with questions or concerns.

Parents should have received a phone call from your child's school to work out arrangements for online access if our survey indicated your child did not have internet and/or computer access. Contact your child's building principal as soon as possible if you do not have internet and/or computer access and you did not receive a phone call.

Distance Learning Plan Schedule

Remote learning will begin on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

We are recommending that your child will follow a Single Session schedule for the duration of the shutdown. I understand that this concept becomes difficult when sharing devices.

For those families who do not have a device for each child in your home we are asking that you make flexible arrangements for work completion throughout the day. In fact, please know that at the District level the word that we consistently refer to is *flexible*.

We understand that this method of instruction is entirely new and our only request is you create schedules in your homes to promote learning and provide structure for your children.

To the end, although we are suggesting a Single Session schedule we ask that you create a flexible schedule in your home that suits you and your children best.

Marking Period/Trimester Grading Information

All K-5 Second Trimester Report Cards were either distributed at conferences or through the Parent Portal.

Third Marking Period grades will be posted on the Parent Portal on March 25, 2020 for DMS & DHS students.

In an effort to decrease stress during this time the student gradebook portion of the Parent Portal will be deactivated on March 31, 2020 until we resume in-school instruction.

Material Pick Up: Grade 6-Grade 12

If your child has academic materials in his or her locker or athletic items in his or her gym locker that are <u>necessary</u> to pick up, they are able to pick them up at each school on March 18, 2020 between the hours of 8am and 7pm. Please meet outside the security vestibule at your child's respective school.

Medication Retrieval

If you have medication for your child that you would like to retrieve you can do so at your child's school between the hours of 8am and 11am on Wednesday March 18, 2020.

Food Distribution

Delran Township Public Schools will provide food for <u>any</u> students that are in need by providing five day supply packages in a 'grab and go' format. There will be multiple drop points in Delran Township. Our first date is March 18, 2020 at 11am:

• Location: Delran Middle School parking lot

• Location: Delran Intermediate School parking lot

• Location: Summerhill hockey court area

Location: Tenby Town Apartments

• Location: Hunters Glen (Parking Lot behind CVS)

Conrow Road Park

Free Internet Access

Those families that would like free internet access from Comcast please CLICK HERE.

Sincerely,

From By

Brian Brotschul, Ed. D.

Superintendent of Schools