

DELTRAN 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"

April 7, 2020

Good Afternoon Delran Township Families,

I hope this communication finds you and your family well. As we conclude the third week of remote learning, please allow me to express my gratitude and appreciation for your support, flexibility, and cooperation during this new virtual reality of learning. Your partnership has been noted and appreciated. It's important that we stop and say "thank you" from the District.

I'd also like to point out some partners in the District that have made significant contributions in a short amount of time. The District has embedded leadership teams of principals, supervisors and teachers that coordinate widely on a host of academic and programmatic items throughout a 'normal' school year. When challenged with carrying out the District response to COVID-19 these teams all answered the call to support teaching, learning and children. Their work has been exemplary.

Remote Instruction Plan - Phase Two

Delran Township has a multi-phase process of instituting remote learning that aspires to be flexible and responsive to classroom, student and teacher needs while providing structure and adherence to the instructional core.

Attached to this message is an overview of Phase Two of our Remote Instruction Plan should we remain on shutdown as the result of COVID-19. Phase Two is scheduled to begin on April 20, 2020.

Below are items of note regarding Phase Two of the Remote Instruction Plan:

- Millbridge and Delran Intermediate School
 - Transition to online learning
 - Incorporation of suggested daily schedule for parents and children
 - Grading system to reflect "Approaching Expectations" and "Meets Expectations" during the 4th Marking Period
 - Technological support

- Delran Middle School and Delran High School
 - Cancellation of Final Exams

- Final Grade Calculation: Marking Period 1, Marking Period 2, Marking Period 3 and Marking Period 4 all worth 25%
- Transition from Pass/Fail grading structure to traditional grading structure
- No child shall earn a Final Grade that is lower than the average of their Marking Period 1, Marking Period 2 and Marking Period 3 grades

Spring Recess

Friday marks the beginning of our Spring Recess (April 10-April 17). New classwork will not be assigned during that time, however students may continue to work on past assignments.

Student Nutrition

Delran Township Public Schools will provide food for any students that are in need by providing food in a 'grab and go' format. There will be multiple drop points in Delran Township each Wednesday at 11:00am:

- Location: Delran Middle School parking Lot
- Location: Delran High School parking Lot
- Location: Hunters Glen (Parking Lot behind CVS)

I am confident you share my gratitude and admiration of the district staff who are committed to providing for families and students despite the many barriers and constraints created by a forced transition to remote education. Our indomitable staff and your loyal Board of Education members are unwavering in their commitment delivering learning, technology, food, medical care and sustenance. It has been heart-warming and emotional to witness these valiant acts.

Dr. Seuss said, "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not". On behalf of the Delran Township Board of Education and the entire Delran Township educational community, we want families and students to know we care about student wellness and academic progress. We take great pride and care at ensuring that every single child in our care receives the very best of us - every single day.

We are committed to student support, the art of flexibility, sensitivity, and creativity to overcome the constraints and burdens of learning during this pandemic. While the district is working remotely, we want to stay connected. Please do not hesitate to call your principal if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Brian Brotschul, Ed.D.