

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"

April 25, 2020

Good Afternoon Delran Township Families,

I hope this communication finds you and your family well.

Remote Instruction - Phase Two

The second phase of our remote instruction plan began on April 20, 2020 with all platforms being digital and online through a host of approaches.

We hope by now you have settled into a routine for both you and your child (particularly so at the K-5 grade level). Please know we do understand the stressors and challenges that remote instruction presents, especially as it relates to your ability to follow through with your own work and careers. It is our absolute mission from every level of the District to serve you, and to do so well and comprehensively. We remain flexible and seek to support you as best we can.

In speaking with the dedicated District Leadership Team of teachers from each school and administrators across the District it is clear that parents who have required assistance with items on our digital platforms have reached out to classroom teachers in order to address concerns. Approaching questions and/or challenges is always best done in this fashion.

However, for more global items, if you have feedback to share, or additional questions to be answered you can [fill out this survey](#). The submissions are routed to Mrs. Christine DeSimone, who oversees all of our academic and technological programming.

Assessment: Grades 6-12

The concept of student assessment in grades six through twelve warrants a reminder. Your child's grade will be determined according to the items below (and communicated on April 7, 2020).

Below you shall find how your child's grade will be derived provided your child actively and appropriately participates:

1. Cancellation of Final Exams
2. Final Grade Calculation: Marking Period 1, Marking Period 2, Marking Period 3 and Marking Period 4 all worth 25%
3. Transition from Pass/Fail grading structure to traditional grading structure
4. 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

As it relates to item #4 above, communication from our School Counselors suggests that there are students (particularly at DHS) happy with their grades now as they stand and view the grading policy to read that their grades will not suffer regardless of the quality of effort students exert during the Fourth Marking Period.

Students are required to continue to participate, complete work and adhere to expectations of each course in order to have the above grading policy applied to their Final Grade.

I have directed the administrators at Grades 6-12 to ensure that the assessment plan for the Fourth Marking Period and Final Grade calculation is reflective of the spirit of the approach and have authorized them to contact families whose children do not appear to be approaching their responsibilities with the great seriousness and care that we have always been accustomed to.

End of Year Activities

The District administration is examining a multitude of items related to the end of the school year and expects to communicate those items outward in the near future by the school that is overseeing and sponsoring these events.

Student Nutrition

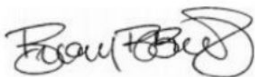
Delran Township Public Schools will provide food for any students that are in need by providing food in a 'grab and go' format. There will be multiple drop points in Delran Township each Wednesday at 11:00am:

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

The District has partnered with municipal government officials from Florence Township and *Bonduelle Fresh Americas* to provide fresh salads for all meals provided. We are extremely fortunate for this partnership and pass along these items to those families in need.

Please continue to maintain social distancing and remain in touch with the District.

Sincerely,



Brian Brotschul, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools