Saturday, March 14, 2020

Good Day to All Oceanport School District Families,

The Oceanport School District has developed a Closure Plan to help us navigate the current school closures due to the NJ COVID-2019 Health Emergency. The plan encompasses the following areas:

Section 1: Online Educational Opportunities for Students Section 2: Provision of Related Services (IEPs / 504 Plans)

Section 3: Ensuring Access / Nutritional Needs / Free and Reduced Lunch

Section 4: SACC

Section 5: When Will School Reopen?

Section 1: On-Line Learning Opportunities for Students

- Monday March 16th counts as our last snow day.
- Tuesday, March 17th marks the beginning of On-Line Learning for our students
- Oceanport District's "At Home" website is open for business now!

The Oceanport Public School District has developed an array of on-line educational opportunities for students during this hiatus. We also worked to ensure easy access for parents at home. The district has created a special host website to house these opportunities electronically, so that all parents and students districtwide can log-on. To explore the new website, click the link below:

https://www.oceanport.k12.nj.us/athome

The District has also created a parent YouTube video to explain each feature of the website and how to access website log-ins for students. For complete directions, click the link below:

https://youtu.be/rc4vJHmrPY4

You will note that the new "At-Home" web-page is distributed across three (3) categories:

1. <u>i-Ready:</u> i-Ready is an online program for reading and/or mathematics instruction in Grades K-8. Students in Grades K-8 have already been assessed for i-Ready use, and will complete one or two (1 or 2) individualized reading lessons per day, and one or two (1 or 2) individualized math lessons per day. Student Progress will be monitored on-line daily by teaching and administrative staff. Data Points from i-Ready will be included within K-8 Progress Monitoring in order for student progress to be continually assessed by the district. The more students work on i-Ready, the greater their growth!

- 2. On-Line Resources for daily lessons in ELA/Writing, Science, Social Studies, Health, and more: (Specific requirements in these areas can be found on the "At Home" webpage by Grade Level. Simply "click" and explore!
- 3. For **Pre-K**, PDF resources and copies will be shared via email from teachers to parents.

Should you have questions or concerns in using the new website, or if you are a Pre-K parent in need of assistance, please contact Mrs. Gerri Martinez, Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction at: gmartinez@oceanport.k12.nj.us

Section 2: Provision of Related Services (IEPs / 504 Plans)

Due to limitations that may occur with regard to available staff for our students as a result of a Coronavirus Pandemic, the Oceanport School District will provide for alternative "Make-Up Sessions" for any students missing OT, PT, and Speech during a school closure.

Proposed "Make-Up Sessions" will be scheduled during the summer ESY Program.

Additionally, "Telehealth" PT Services have already been arranged. Special Services Supervisor, Mrs. Lauren Malaney and Case Managers will be contacting all parents of students with IEPs and/or 504 Plans to ensure these services.

Other updates in this regard will be forthcoming from Mrs. Malaney on a case-by-case basis.

Should you have questions or concerns regarding IEPs / 504 Plans, or if you are a parent in need of assistance in this regard, please contact Mrs. Lauren Malaney, Supervisor of Special Services at: lmalaney@oceanport.k12.nj.us

Section 3: Ensuring Access / Nutritional Needs / Free and Reduced Lunch

All families who have qualified previously for Free and Reduced Lunch and / or who may be in need of technology access have been contacted earlier this week by school Principals.

Should you have questions regarding Technology Access, please contact your building Principal directly:

At Wolf Hill: Mr. Mark Maglione mmaglione@oceanport.k12.nj.us

At Maple Place: Mr. Matthew Howell mhowell@oceanport.k12.nj.us

Should you need assistance with Free or Reduced lunch during the current school closure, please contact School Business Administrator, Mrs. Valery

Petrone: vpetrone@oceanport.k12.nj.us

Section 4: SACC

SACC families who have prepaid for school age child care will be refunded and/or credited for dates ranging from Thursday, March 12th through the last date prior to the reopening of school. For questions and concerns regarding the SACC Program, please contact SACC Supervisor, Mr. Justin Karpinski: jkarpinski@oceanport.k12.nj.us

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Section 5: When Will School Reopen? It is our hope to assist our school community to the greatest degree possible during this challenging time-frame. Our Administrative Team and Board of Education will reassess our ability to re-open within the next two weeks. We will remain in regular contact with the Mayor and Council, Oceanport Emergency Management, and the Oceanport Police Department.

Once we receive word that it is safe to assemble in large numbers, we will inform the community and reopen promptly.

Should you need assistance other than those categories listed here, please contact Superintendent Anne Facendo c/o Administrative Assistant, Ms. Rosalie Cuoco: rcuoco@oceanport.k12.nj.us

Wishing our entire community peace, health and safety,

Sincerely,

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