

Plumsted Township School District

Important Announcement Concerning COVID19 And School Closures

April 18, 2020

Dear Teachers, Staff, Students, Parents and Community Members,

We will be returning to remote school on **Monday, April 20** for all students. In addition, Governor Murphy has extended the school closure until at least **May 15** and then a decision for the remainder of the school year will be made. **What does all this mean for us:**

1. All of us, as a community (students, faculty, administrators and families) have to gear up and be ready to give a maximum effort to continue this new learning process as a positive experience.
2. All of us, must be ready to give a maximum effort to continue this new learning process quite possibly till the end of the school year.
3. The adult community (school and home) must attempt to give every child what they need to be successful. We are never going to get all students to the same level but our expectations must always be influenced by a mindset that acknowledges continued growth and a willingness to attempt challenges.
4. The adult community (school and home) must understand that the emotional climate is the key to everything. Anxiety has to be acknowledged and understood for the process to work. Everyone (children and adults) is going to feel different levels of anxiety because of the current situation the pandemic has created. All of those feelings are real and indicative of need. We have to attempt to address the needs to help the individual.
5. Parents/guardians please stay in contact with the school if you have any concerns about your child's social and emotional health. Additionally, if there are any other issues/concerns that you have please don't hesitate to consult with the school.

Amidst the unknown that is the current state of affairs, I want to assure and reinforce that the Plumsted Township School District will continue to provide our students and families with the educational experience that their child/(ren) deserves and needs. Our teachers are committed to continually looking to improve the communication to meet the needs of each child. We can only accomplish our mission with the assistance of the parents/guardians. Please set an expectation that your child/(ren) will participate in daily lessons on the computer. For the younger children particularly but for any child establishing a daily schedule has proven to be successful. When it is convenient or at the dinner table have discussions with your child/(ren) about what they have learned and ask them to explain to you their experiences. The school district is dedicated to . . . **Unleashing unlimited opportunities . . . Empowering one Warrior at a time.**

Warrior Pride,

Jerry North