

## Farmingdale Public School

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Dear Farmingdale Families:

This letter is being distributed to provide parents and guardians guidance regarding the district's plan to move to remote learning. As you are aware, COVID-19 is impacting families throughout our nation. Although we do not have any identified or confirmed COVID-19 cases in our district that we are aware of, we believe that it is essential to take a proactive and precautionary approach to reduce risk for our students and staff. As of Monday, March 16, 2020, school will be closed and remote learning will begin. School is expected to resume on Monday, March 30, 2020, unless directed otherwise.

Our staff has been working tirelessly and has developed a plan for continuous instruction during the time we are closed. Earlier in the week, a survey was sent to all parents to assess internet accessibility and device availability in the home. This information was used to provide students with devices, if needed, or hard copies of instructional materials based on individual responses. Each homeroom teacher has developed a letter with specific directions on how their "remote learning classroom" will be run. They have also worked with their students while in school to make sure they know how to access any online sites that will be utilized and have provided passwords, if applicable. In addition, provisions have been made by teachers for any students requiring modified instruction. All teachers will be available by email Monday-Friday from the hours of 9:00am-1:00pm, during our remote learning sessions, for any questions or concerns you may have.

Families who qualify for free or reduced lunch have been contacted and further information will be provided.

While right now there is much uncertainty and anxiety surrounding COVID-19, take comfort in knowing that our amazing staff is here for you and we will help you navigate this together!

Educationally yours, Mrs. Conroy