

Upper Township School District

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Dear Families:

District administration continues to collaborate with NJ County and State Officials regarding COVID-19. Equally important, all CMC Superintendents are in daily communication and doing our best to ensure the health and well-being of all staff and students.

As a result of those discussions, please accept the following:

- 1. As of today, ALL assemblies, dances, concerts, performances, evening events, sporting events, practices and after-school activities **have been cancelled**. If and when any of these activities are reinstated, additional communication will be disseminated.
- 2. I am requesting that all students, faculty, and staff continue to take reasonable precautions in an effort to prevent the spread of germs, viruses, etc. Specifically:
 - a. Do not engage in hand-shakes, hugs or other forms of person-to-person contact.
 - b. Correctly wash hands on a regular basis (using warm water and soap for at least 20 seconds).
 - c. Avoid touching the face, eyes, nose, and mouth.
 - d. Use disposable tissues for coughing and sneezing, then discard the tissue.
 - e. Utilize hand sanitizer products (containing at least 60% alcohol).
 - f. Avoid sick people.
 - g. Do not send students to school who are experiencing symptoms of illness (especially fever, cough, respiratory issues, etc.) or actually have the flu.
- 3. I am requesting that all families report **any out-of-state travel** to your child's school nurse and principal; prior to departure. Upon receipt of that information, further instructions will be discussed.
- 4. In anticipation of an extended school closure, please begin to make the necessary accommodations for child care. Separate communication will be disseminated regarding the process and protocols associated with such an event. Additionally, all information and resources will continue to be posted on the district website: www.upperschools.org.

Please keep in mind that the health, safety and well-being of our staff and students remain my top priority and every future decision will continue to have this commitment at its core. I thank you in advance for your continued understanding and support.

Yours in good health,

Mr. Palmieri