

Brigantine Public School District

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Dear Brigantine Families and Community Members,

I hope this letter finds you and your families safe and well. Today, the New Jersey Department of Education released guidance for the 2020-2021 school year.

This 104 page document has been long awaited and provides us with guidance about how school will look in terms of wearing masks, transportation, scheduling, social distancing, in person learning, and most importantly measures intended to keep everyone safe and healthy while re-engaging everyone in the learning process. With that said, we will be creating a "Re-Entry Stakeholder Teams" and "Pandemic Response Teams" which will meet over the next several weeks in person and virtually, and in turn report out to the community as a whole. If you are interested in possibly joining our teams, please email my Administrative Assistant, Elise Chrysler, at elise@brigantineschools.org, with your name, email address, phone number, and the name and grade level of your child(ren).

As you already know, we do not have all of the answers at this time, since the document was released to the public today. Our district administrative team has been working on just about every situational plan imaginable up to this date, and conversing with local, regional, and national leaders. What we do know is that we need to create a plan that is best for the Brigantine community. We kindly ask for your patience as our staff thoroughly reviews this detailed guidance, and moves forward to work with the stakeholder team. We also ask that you read the document carefully, and privately, and share your thoughts with your spouse, and then your children. As a parent myself, I know that our children are watching our reactions and will respond accordingly.

Thank you again for your patience, understanding, and flexibility as we all continue to navigate a situation that none of us could have ever imagined possible. We will be in touch soon, and in the meantime we hope you stay safe, and enjoy the beautiful beach weather!

Yours in Education,

Glenn Superintendent of Schools