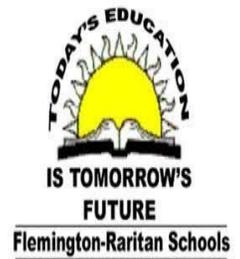


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Dear Flemington-Raritan Regional School District Parents and Community Members,

Allow me to take this moment to applaud you...each and every one of you! I'm positive there are many frustrations concerning juggling work, home and school schedules as well as the many demands on your time and attention. School schedules with students' learning time divided between school, home or an alternation location are challenging.

Beginning Monday, October 19, Cohort A students in Grades K-8 will learn remotely, while Cohort B students in Grades K-8 will report for in-person learning. We are so thrilled to welcome Cohort B students in Grades 2-4 back to school and continue to support our families that have selected an all remote option for learning. We continue to have conversations and plan with our community using the four Reopening Task Forces. On Monday the Operations and Governance Task Force reconvened to plan and talk through successes and challenges to the District's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Physical and Mental Health Task Force and the Finance Task Force reconvened on Thursday evening. The Personnel Task Force will reconvene on Monday, October 19, 2020. Each of the four reopening task force teams include members of the community, teachers, parents, administrators, to name a few. A full list of committee member names are listed on our [District Returning With Confidence Plan](#). We continue to evaluate the processes in place and the requirements by the State of New Jersey and the Department of Health to make systems be as seamless as possible.

A glimpse at the next five weeks for remote and in-person learning:

Date	Grades	Cohort A	Cohort B
Week of October 19	K-8	Remote Learning	In-Person
Week of October 26	K-8	In-Person	Remote Learning
Week of November 2	K-8	Remote Learning	In-Person
Week of November 9	K-8	In-Person	Remote Learning
Week of November 16	K-8	Remote Learning	In-Person
*** Parents who selected all-virtual instruction for their child will continue with all-remote learning.***			

Bus Times: Children who report to school for in-person learning will follow the school's early dismissal times for the start and end of the in-person learning day. Bus pick up and drop off times and locations have been communicated by the Transportation Department. Parents should adjust afternoon bus drop off times by approximately **two hours and 20 minutes** to account for the early dismissal schedule. For specific questions regarding your child's bus stop, contact the Transportation Department at 908-284-7154.

Daily Health Screening: Please complete the daily screening **each morning** prior to your child(ren) reporting to school for in-person learning. If a child arrives at school without a completed form, a parent will be contacted and the child will not be permitted to begin in-person learning. Instructions are noted below:

1. Log into the [Parent Portal](#); an alert will pop up, indicating that the Daily COVID Form is required.
2. Click on the "Daily COVID Form" to begin.
3. Answer all questions honestly and thoroughly.
4. When done, sign by selecting **"YES - Complete Form"** at the bottom of the form and **"Update Answers."**
5. Complete and submit the form for each child reporting to school for in-person learning.

Health & Safety Reminders: Please review the following:

- All staff, faculty, and students must wear a mask at all times while on campus and on the school bus. *(Enforcing the use of a mask may be impractical for children with disabilities or in the case where a mask inhibits the individual's health. Please speak with your school nurse if your child falls into this category.)*
- A child who has a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher will need to stay home from school. If a child has two or more symptoms of COVID-19, please contact your child's school nurse or your child's pediatrician to determine if your child can attend school or needs to stay home.
- As we continue to bring students back for in-person learning, please be mindful of travel plans between states. Governor Murphy continues to revise the travel advisory list. States that are on the travel advisory list advise all individuals entering New Jersey from states with a significant spread of COVID-19 to quarantine for 14-days after leaving the state. See the link [here](#) for New Jersey travel information.

Meal Distribution: - We are proud of the partnership between Flemington-Raritan Regional School District team and our food services provider, Maschios, and the Department of Agriculture. Federal and State of New Jersey guidance allows for the district to provide *free* breakfasts and lunches to all students, those attending in-person and those attending remotely, through December 31, 2020. Meals are going home weekly to all families that need healthy, nutritious meals. Just this week the District provided over 700 meals to families! The District is proud to support families with pre-packaged meals using the partnership of the New Jersey Department of Agriculture and Maschio's Food Services. Click [here](#) for details.

Childcare: - The District has cooperated with business organizations to provide wraparound services and child care support, including but not limited to the YMCA. The District and the Hunterdon County YMCA were able to open childcare services at Copper Hill Elementary School last week. The YMCA is now able to support more families throughout the community. Beginning Monday, October 19, 2020, Francis A. Desmares and Barley Sheaf Elementary will offer both before care and after care using the YMCA services. All three buildings offer both before school and after school childcare services. The YMCA is closely monitoring enrollment of families for child care services at Robert Hunter Elementary School and Reading-Fleming Intermediate School. Child care service specific questions about start times, ending times, and availability should be directed to the Hunterdon County YMCA. Families that are interested in the YMCA child care services should contact Ms. Wendy Crocetti at (908) 483-4622. The YMCA follows all safety protocols: six-foot distancing is maintained, students and YMCA employees are masked at all times when on campus unless outside and socially distanced, students and employees are screened for COVID-19 symptoms before arrival, and the cleaning of high-frequency areas are maintained.

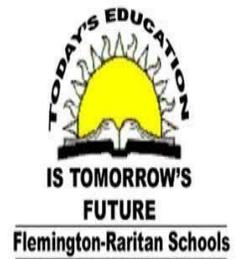
Am I at risk? Guidelines on who should quarantine or isolate for COVID-19

Close contact - any individual who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes.
Quarantine - keeping someone who might have been exposed to COVID-19 away from others
Isolation - keeps someone with COVID-19 away from others, even in their own home

Person A - Case	Person B - Contact of a Case	Person C - Contact of a Contact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Person A tested positive for COVID-19 • While infectious, Person A was in close contact with Person B • Person A must isolate from others until no longer infectious 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Person B is considered a close contact of an infectious COVID-19 person A • Person B should quarantine (stay at home, practice social distancing and monitor for symptoms) for 14 days 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Person C was NOT in close contact with infectious Person A • Unless Person B develops symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19, Person C is not at increased risk • No special precautions are necessary

Logos: HUNTERDON COUNTY NEW JERSEY, PublicHealth, NJ Health, CDC, Coronavirus Disease 2019 COVID-19

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You were in close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19. Okay, so

NOW WHAT?

You must quarantine for 14 days:
 Stay at home, practice social distancing and monitor for symptoms.

During the 14 days :

- If you develop symptoms or test positive – contact your healthcare provider and your local health department.
- If you do not develop symptoms - you can come out of quarantine.

Can I get tested while I'm in quarantine?

Yes but only if you want to or otherwise recommended by your healthcare provider.

Public health officials recommend waiting at least 3-5 days after exposure to be tested for COVID-19.

While in quarantine, I tested negative for COVID-19. Does that mean I can end my quarantine sooner than 14 days?

NO! COVID-19 virus takes an average of 5 days for symptoms to appear but can take up to 14 days so you may get a false negative test result.

The 14 days of quarantine is crucial because even though you may not be experiencing symptoms and have a negative test result, you can still be COVID-19 infected and therefore infectious to others.

Do your part and help reduce the spread of COVID-19:

- Wear a mask
- Maintain social distancing
- If you are in quarantine, **STAY** in quarantine for the **ENTIRE 14 days.**

	mon	tue	wed	thu	fri	sat	sun
1	2	3	4	5			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Last day of quarantine
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30	31	1st day quarantine		

My best to all of our families and my hope that you are all happy, safe, and healthy.

Wishing you well,

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