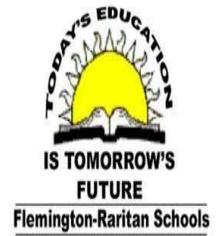


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Dear Flemington-Raritan Regional School District Parents, Faculty, Staff and Community,

As severe winter weather approaches, the District will hold **all-remote instruction for all students** on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. The Office of Emergency Management is reporting a Winter Storm Warning in effect for portions of northern New Jersey and southeast New Jersey. The Winter Storm Watch remains in effect for portions of central and southern New Jersey. The storm will have significant impacts across the region. Heavy snow accumulating in excess of 12" is possible. The National Weather Service advises travel could be very difficult or impossible, potentially affecting both the Wednesday and Thursday commutes. Timing for the snow is predicted to be Wednesday through Wednesday night with potentially heavy snow with significant accumulations. Power outages are possible. To provide safety and reduce travel for our community and support safe transportation for our students, staff, and faculty, the district will pivot to all remote instruction for Wednesday.

No in-person instruction will be held on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. All school buildings and offices will be closed. Secretarial staff will work remotely. Moving forward, on any unplanned move to remote instruction that lasts just a day or two, we will follow the originally planned schedule for that day. In other words, students will follow the schedule for the day as directed by their classroom teacher(s) with the intent to match the schedule as closely as possible as previously planned. Parents should watch for communication from their child's classroom teacher and building principal.

For Thursday, December 17, it is *anticipated* that the District will hold a traditional snow day if current weather predictions hold true. In the event of a snow day, no in-person learning or remote instruction will be held and all buildings will remain closed. Some forecasts are calling for an amount of snow sufficient to raise concerns about power outages and other serious impacts. If that amount of snow materializes in the event of a large storm, lingering effects may also require us to move to a remote learning day on Friday. Therefore, it is *possible* that the District will hold all-remote instruction for all students for Friday, December 18, with all school buildings and offices remaining closed and secretaries working remotely, should sufficient snow accumulation or hazardous road conditions prevent the District from reopening for in-person learning. It is my hope that we return to in-person learning as soon as conditions allow the District to reopen safely.

The District will wait to confirm Thursday's anticipated snow day and Friday's possible all-remote instruction day until the storm develops further and its impact is more fully known. It is important for all parents and staff members to remain prepared for instances of inclement weather that could impact the District's delivery of instruction and to have contingency plans in place for child-care and family needs. If power is interrupted and students, staff, or faculty are without power on all-remote days, report the issue to technology support or a school hotline so that students are not marked absent. Parents and staff members will continue to receive notifications through the District's automated messaging system, via phone, email and text messages. The District website will be updated regularly. Stay safe.

Wishing you good health,

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