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TO: Flemington-Raritan Regional School District Community
FROM: Kari McGann, Superintendent of Schools
DATE: August 30, 2018
RE: **Indoor Air Quality in Flemington-Raritan Regional Schools Causes Delay of School District Opening for Students**

The health, comfort, and learning environment of students and staff are important aspects of Flemington-Raritan Regional School District's mission. School-aged children spend a large part of their day inside our school buildings; therefore, Flemington-Raritan Regional School District is strongly committed to the health and comfort of our students and staff, as well the environmental quality in our schools. It is important for all that our schools provide a safe, comfortable, and productive environment for our students and staff, so that we achieve our core mission—educating students.

Our strong commitment to health and comfort of students requires that all buildings have indoor air quality levels that meet our expectations. Due to the temporary closing of Francis A. Desmares and the need to have a few more days to prepare Copper Hill Elementary for students, the **Flemington-Raritan Regional School District will not be open for students as planned on Thursday, September 6 or Friday, September 7**. Schools will remain closed on Monday, September 10, as planned, for Rosh Hashanah. The district will use two contingency snow days that were previously built into the calendar; April 29 and May 24. These two days will now be regular school days for students. A revised calendar will follow soon.

The opening of the Flemington-Raritan Regional School District will be delayed for two days for all students. All students will return to school on Tuesday, September 11 and report to their assigned school. At this time we expect all buildings to be open and ready to welcome students on September 11th.

To support our community with childcare on September 6, 7, and 10, the Hunterdon County YMCA Program will be available each day from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. for families that would like to use this child care option. Registration is at the Deer Path Branch of the Y at 144 West Woodschurch Road in Flemington. The cost is \$60 per day and families must register by the end of business hours tomorrow, Friday, August 31. The branch is open from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. to take registrations. Contact Wendy Crocetti at 908-483-4622 or Stephanie Lawreck at 908-483-4628. A link for the registration form is [here](#). Registration forms must be brought to the YMCA Deer Path Branch location at 144 West Woodschurch Road in Flemington. Any child who needs medications must bring medication to the program along with the health action plan from their doctor. If families choose the YMCA as part of a child care solution, students that attend Copper Hill Elementary and Barley Sheaf Elementary will attend the YMCA program at Barley Sheaf Elementary. Students that attend at Francis A. Desmares, Robert Hunter, Reading-Flemington Intermediate School and J.P. Case Middle School may attend the YMCA program at Robert Hunter Elementary.

Please know that the health and safety of our students and staff is of the utmost importance to us. While Flemington-Raritan Regional School District regrets the delay of the opening of schools, we wish your family a most glorious holiday weekend and time together to enjoy a few more days of summer. We look forward to seeing all of our students back on Tuesday, September 11.

Sincerely,

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