District Coronavirus/COVID-19 Information

March 20, 2020

Dear Teaneck Parents/Guardians, Students & Staff,

We have completed our first week at home and I want to congratulate our parents and students, while expressing my deep appreciation to our faculty, administrators and support staff. The education of our children is critical; and we must continue to do all we can - together - to ensure we don't lose valuable time in this effort.

These are difficult times. Many of you are working from home while trying to keep up with your own children's lesson plans. Many are taking care of elderly family members. Many may have a family member who no longer has a means of income. Sadly, some members of our community are seriously ill or have lost a loved one, and our prayers go out to all of them and to all of you. This is not easy; and it seems we are just at the beginning of what will likely be an extended period of time where we all need to practice *social distancing*.

Still, our District community remains strong and I want to make sure you are aware of four important points:

- 1.) Our Teaneck families are welcome to pick up a boxed lunch for their children, Monday Friday (11 am 1 pm) at Teaneck High School on the Cranford Avenue side.
- 2.) We have created a special area on our district website that will link you to all of the resources that you may need. Please go to www.teaneckschools.org and click on the green button "COVID-19 Update" on the left-hand side. From there, we have drop-down tabs for: COVID-19 Resources, Homeschool Resources, Technology Resources, Student Resources, Counseling Services, and Previous Messages (on this health crisis).
- 3.) Students should continue with their daily lessons. NOTE: There is now a mobile Chromebook repair center for any middle or high school students who are having any issues with their Chromebook. It is located at the Teaneck High School Cranford parking lot from 11 AM to 1 PM. Also, any parent who needs printed lessons packets can come during this time too.
- 4.) If you are on Facebook, please follow us there (@TeaneckPublicSchoolDistrict) as we engage in social conversations and "check-ins" during this difficult time. We have something special planned for Facebook and our website starting next week so stay tuned!

Lastly, our schools are currently closed through March 27 and I will be making any extension announcements by early next week.

Until then, I hope you enjoy a restful weekend - but most of all, stay healthy and safe!

Best regards,

Dr. Christopher Irving, Superintendent of Schools

For more information, visit:

https://www.nj.gov/health/

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

Extended Learning Lessons:

 $\underline{https://www.teaneckschools.org/ExtendedLearningLessons.aspx}$

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