

## Lafayette Township School District

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we conclude our fourth week of home instruction, I would like to thank our students, parents, staff members, and community members for their efforts in supporting the needs of all learners during this period of closure. These are unprecedented times, and we are all doing our best to support our students, families, and community while coping with the stress and anxiety related to this crisis. Everyone has a role to play in fighting this pandemic. We can all do our part in this crisis by staying home to reduce the spread of this virus.

I would also like to extend our deepest thanks and gratitude to our parents and guardians who are still reporting to their places of work. Many of our parents and guardians are on the front lines in this crisis working in hospitals, law enforcement, emergency management, food service, and other critical areas as essential employees. I know that I speak for all of us when we say thank you for your dedication and commitment to supporting the health and safety of the rest of our community. You are all the true heroes of this crisis!

On 3/16/20, Governor Murphy signed Executive Order 104 into effect which ordered all schools closed indefinitely. School districts will remain closed until such time as the Governor allows them to reopen. Remote learning plans will continue to be provided during this period of closure, and all days of instruction via remote learning will count towards the mandated 180-day requirement.

In an effort to provide clear and concise guidance to the members of our school community, please be advised that at this time the Lafayette Township School District will be extending the school closure through 5/1/20. All school activities will be cancelled from 4/20/20 - 5/1/20. We will continue to reevaluate and assess the situation based upon current information and directives from Governor Murphy, the New Jersey Department of Education, and the New Jersey Department of Health on a weekly basis. Additional information will be shared with our community as it becomes available.

Thank you for your continued support as we implement remote learning plans for all students. Please reach out to the school with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely, Jennifer Cenatiempo

