



Old Bridge Township Public Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Old Bridge Public Schools is excited to welcome students back for five days effective on Monday, May 3rd, 2021. The district will operate on an early dismissal schedule until further notice. All in-person students in the purple and silver cohorts will be converted to five days per week beginning on May 3rd. At this time, all students who are attending in-person will be expected to attend for five days. There will not be a two or three day in-person option for students beginning on May 3rd.

Due to a significant amount of staff members receiving their second Covid-19 vaccine on Thursday, May 6th, Old Bridge Township Public Schools will be fully remote for all students on Friday, May 7th. As we are anticipating a large number of staff being unable to instruct in-person due to the receipt of the vaccine, the district is proactively implementing an all-remote day to ensure educational continuity for our students.

On a positive note, Friday, May 7th, 2021 will be designated as the Elementary Field Day districtwide. As done last year, this year's Elementary Field Day will also be conducted remotely. Mr. Daniel DiMino, Director of Athletics, will be disseminating information about the Old Bridge Elementary Remote Field Day through the elementary physical education teachers. Please keep an eye out for that upcoming information.

Finally, the number of parents who have requested their students return to in-person instruction has significantly decreased over the past few weeks. While our Old Bridge staff is thrilled to see our classrooms with students actively learning, we are not anticipating a large influx of students returning to in-person for the remainder of the year. Therefore, in order to appropriately plan for end-of-year activities and continue to provide the in-person and remote learning environment with instructional fidelity through the last day of class, Wednesday, May 12th will be a cut-off date for final requests for students to return to in-person instruction for the 2020-2021 school year across all levels (Elementary, Middle, and High). Effective, Monday, May 17th, the remote and in-person cohorts will not be adjusted through the last day of school.

As we transition into the summer months, the district continues to encourage the Old Bridge Community to mask-up, avoid large gatherings, and avoid discretionary travel when possible. This will allow our Old Bridge students to participate in all the positive end-of-year activities that they are accustomed to each year. The administration and staff appreciate your continued efforts throughout the community to keep our students and staff safe.

Sincerely,

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