



WOODBIDGE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Woodbridge Families,

I hope this finds you well. Everyday our administration assesses and evaluates our district's resources with the understanding that our current environment demands preparation and flexibility. We have maximized the efficiency of our available personnel and, despite the diligent efforts of all involved, still had classes and schools pivot to remote instruction this past week. Unfortunately, we have limited options at our disposal to mitigate the circumstances we face, including high demand for PCR tests and increased wait time for test results.

As a result of the current impact COVID-19 has had on the school district's ability to efficiently transport students and safely operate with appropriate supervision, all Woodbridge Township Schools will pivot to remote instruction next week, January 10 through January 14. Schools are scheduled to reopen for in-person instruction on Tuesday, January 18, after the observance of Martin Luther King Jr. day. Athletics and extra-curricular activities remain scheduled as planned at this time. If you have any questions regarding after school activities, please contact your child's school.

Our school district offers a mirror into the current state of affairs as a result of this pandemic. Across the many departments that comprise our district, staff members continue to go above and beyond to accomplish the task at hand. While their commitment and dedication to our students is both inspiring and reassuring, we are all reminded that the Woodbridge Township Schools are no exception to this virus. I am hopeful that by pivoting to remote instruction for the coming week, our staff and students will be provided enough of a respite to surmount this most recent surge. Please see the information below as it will provide guidance for remote instruction.

Devices

If you need a device, please contact your child's school. We understand not everyone may have a device Monday morning and will make arrangements to assist families as expeditiously as possible.

Food Service

Families have the option of going to any of our food distribution sites for meals. Each meal pickup will include 1 breakfast and 1 lunch.

Daily meal pickups will be available from 7:00am to noon at the following locations:

Colonia High School - Door #12
John F. Kennedy Memorial High School - Door #23
Woodbridge High School - Main Office Doors
Colonia Middle School - Door #13
Fords Middle School - Door #11

Avenel Middle School - Door #20
Ross Street School #11 - Door #9
Woodbridge Middle School - Door #9
Iselin Middle School – Door #8

In addition, school busses with available meals will be parked in the following locations daily from 7:00am – 9:00am:

Avenel Street School #4&5 - Parking lot behind the school
Matthew Jago School #28 - Parking lot behind the school
Port Reading School #9 - Parking lot

Schedule

Elementary Schools (Grades K -5) will follow a Remote Early Dismissal Schedule as follows:

- ❖ Academic Instruction
 - Begins at 8:55 AM and will conclude at 1:10 PM
 - Lunch/Recess will take place from 1:15-2:10 PM
 - Office Hours, Small Group Instruction, etc. will take place from 2:15 PM – 3:30 PM

Secondary Schools (Grades 6-12) will follow a Remote “Traditional” Schedule with built in breaks. Students will be required to be on Camera for the first 60 minutes of each block and then will be provided time to independently complete assignments or meet with the classroom teacher for the last 25 minutes of class. Teachers will be available for the entire time the class normally would meet.

- ❖ Academic Instruction
 - Middle School Bell Schedule
 - Block 1: 8:30- 9:55
 - Block 2: 10:00- 11:25
 - Lunch: 11:30- 12:05
 - Block 3: 12:10- 1:35
 - Block 4: 1:40- 3:05
 - High School Bell Schedule
 - Block 1: 7:55- 9:20
 - Block 2: 9:25- 10:50
 - Lunch: 10:55- 11:30
 - Block 3: 11:35- 1:00
 - Block 4: 1:05- 2:30

We thank you in advance for your understanding as we navigate these exigent circumstances and look forward to returning to traditional, in-person instruction on January 18. In the meantime, please be well and stay safe.

Sincerely,

Joseph Massimino, Ed.D.