Fair Lawn Public Schools

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Nicholas J. Norcia Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Fair Lawn Community,

Due to the hourly evolving circumstances and information regarding the *Coronavirus* (COVID-19), Fair Lawn Public Schools will be closed tomorrow, Friday, March 13, 2020. We will be utilizing one of our unused snow days for tomorrow's closure. By closing school tomorrow, it will allow us to finalize our contingency plan to educate students at home, should we be required to close longer. In addition, it will allow us to work closely with the Department of Health to assess the *Coronavirus* and the impact it is having in Fair Lawn and New Jersey.

Because the information surrounding this pandemic is constantly changing, the district believes it is in the community's best interest to close schools tomorrow and monitor information from the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE), the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the World Health Organization, the Fair Lawn Health Department, and other experts.

Please be assured this campus closure is not due to presumed or confined cases of COVID-19 in our school district. The school facilities which have always been sanitary, will continue to be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected daily.

You can expect communication from the district this weekend about school on Monday, March 16th.

As stated in my correspondence sent home yesterday, we will continue to monitor the status of school trips, large school gatherings, and out-of-district staff development on an individual basis. It has been determined that the following postponements/cancellations are necessary:

- Fair Lawn High School Musical, "Chicago" will be postponed until April, 2020.
- All Afterschool Clubs, Activities and Sports will be cancelled from March 13th to March 15th.

We will keep you updated as we make decisions on future events on an individual basis and with the guidance of the Department of Health and the Department of Education.

The health and safety of our entire school community remains our top priority.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Nicholas J. Norcia

Superintendent of Schools