

Fair Lawn Public Schools

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Dear Fair Lawn Community,

I would like to thank our teachers and staff, parents and students for switching to fully-remote instruction on December 7. All Fair Lawn School buildings will be closed until January 15 and we will return to our hybrid schedule on Tuesday, January 19 (please note that schools are closed on Monday, January 18 to observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day.). That said, if your child becomes symptomatic or someone in your family tests positive for COVID-19, please contact your child's school nurse, even when the building is closed. Our teachers have done an amazing job planning and preparing for just this occasion, and the students are now more comfortable following all-remote schedules.

Looking ahead, the number of case models predicted by the governor's office post-holiday are sobering. As we approach the Winter Recess from December 24-January 1, we must all continue to comply with federal health guidelines. I ask that you follow these guidelines below and please reinforce these expectations with your child:

- Adhere to out-of-state travel restrictions and New Jersey's Travel Advisory;
- The CDC's indoor gathering regulations;
- Continue to wear a mask, social distance, wash your hands;
- Get tested if you think you've been exposed; and
- Stay home if you are unwell.

We all have to hold on a bit longer and while this holiday season will be different and pose more challenges, I am hoping we can all find joy with each other and within our immediate households as we protect our loved ones and the health of our community.

Switching gears, I wanted to acknowledge our 2020-2021 Governor Educator of the Year (GEOY) award recipients. As demonstrated these past 10 months, our teachers' dedication to your children, their indefatigable commitment to their education, social and emotional learning is beyond reproach. We applaud all of our teachers and support staff, but would like to take a moment to spotlight this year's GEOY winners. To read each recipient's bio, [click here](#).

Wishing all of you a wonderful and safe Holiday Recess that begins tomorrow with an Early Dismissal on Wednesday, Dec. 23. As we all face pandemic fatigue, I hope you can find time to hit the reset button over the next week. Stay safe Fair Lawn!

Sincerely,



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