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Dear Rockaway Township School Community,

We are set to reopen our schools with our hybrid model next Tuesday, September 8th. Our teachers returned to our schools yesterday to participate in professional development and make preparations for the first day of school. I would like to acknowledge our teachers and staff for their continued professionalism and unwavering commitment to meeting the needs of all our students.

We have a shared responsibility to one another and the common good to follow all schools protocols and requirements. You must keep your child home if they are sick and everyone must complete the daily health screener. We must all do our part to maintain the highest levels of safety possible for our students and staff.

All visitors must have an appointment to enter a school building. Visitors will not be granted access if they do not have an appointment, are not wearing a face covering or do not complete a health screen attestation form.

Specific to self-quarantine guidelines, I must update information I shared earlier this summer.. New Jersey continues to operate under a travel advisory for individuals returning from one of the states listed [here](#). If your child returned from a state on this list on or after August 25th, they will not be permitted to return to school until they complete a 14-day quarantine even if they produce a negative test.

Our new website has launched! You may see it [here](#). Our new mobile app, RTSDInsider, is now fully functional. It's everything RTSD in your pocket! Download the app on Android: <https://bit.ly/2D59eIm> or iPhone: <https://apple.co/2ZOEzbq>.

Thank you for your partnership these past few months. I believe our community has demonstrated why Rockaway Township is truly a special place. At the same time I also know and recognize anxieties are heightened for everyone. As we prepare to welcome our students back to school next week we will keep an empathic ear for all and remain responsive to all your questions and concerns.

As always, the safety of our students and staff remains our top priority in all we do.

Warmest Regards,

Peter Turnamian, Ed. D.

Rockaway Township Schools... Opening minds, opening worlds so every child's potential becomes a reality and challenges become opportunities for personal success!