









March 20, 2020

CLOSURE EXTENSION

JOINT DISTRICT RESPONSE TO THE NATIONAL HEALTH EMERGENCY COVID-19/ CORONAVIRUS

On Saturday, March 14, 2020, we notified everyone that we would be closing for 14 calendar days to protect the health, safety, and welfare of our students, families, and communities during this current health emergency. On Monday, March 16, 2020, Governor Phil Murphy announced the closure of ALL pre-k and K-12 schools in the State of New Jersey beginning Wednesday, March 18, 2020.

With this mandated closure and our upcoming Spring Break, our districts will be extending the school closure as noted below:

The School Districts of Mainland Regional High School, Chartertech High School for the Performing Arts, Northfield, Linwood, and Somers Point are extending school closures until Monday, April 20, 2020.

This step was taken as always in an abundance of caution to continue to preserve the health, safety, and welfare of our students, staff, and communities. We will continue to monitor the information available and any details that may require a longer closure than currently planned. We will coordinate with our communities throughout the closure and will provide updates and information specific to the firm date for schools reopening. Please be sure to check with your districts' websites, social media feeds, and community outreach platforms for additional details.

As we have stated, we know that this is a challenging time. Please know that we are thinking about the health and safety of our students, families, staff, and school communities.

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