December 31, 2021

Dear Families, Caregivers and Staff,

I hope that you have enjoyed the break. When we open on Jan. 3, in conjunction with full-time, in-person instruction, the district will offer a temporary virtual option. Please see below.

Full-time, In-Person Instruction
The district is still opening for full-time, in-person instruction on Jan. 3. We are following the guidance of the New Jersey Department of Health and have increased testing as one of the key mitigating strategies. Please see the no out-of-pocket cost testing schedule:

- Friday, Dec. 31 from 12:30 - 4:30 PM at the Wally Choice Center, 45 Maple Avenue in Glenfield Park.
- Fridays on Jan. 7, 14 and 21, 4 – 6 PM, All dates at the Annex Atrium, 141 Park St. with parking in the rear on No. Fullerton.
- Please remember to bring your insurance card and ID.

With the high number of cases, we will continue to follow the quarantine guidelines we used before the break.

Virtual Option
We have received emails from families expressing concerns about returning their children to in-person learning. We understand your anxiety and the district will offer a virtual option for those who do not feel comfortable with in-person instruction at this time. Please allow our teachers a 48-hour grace period to set up for this virtual learning. Here are more details:

- Virtual learning, for those who choose this option, begins Wed., Jan. 5.
- Virtual period is temporary for 10 school days.
- Absences and missed class work on Monday, Jan. 3, and Tuesday, Jan. 4, will not be counted against the students.
- If you would like this virtual option, please contact your children’s principal to get started.

Best wishes for a safe, healthy new year!

Sincerely,

Dr. Jonathan Ponds
Superintendent