

December 14, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians of the Rumson School District,

It is Monday, December 14, and I am happy to report that we have made it through our first five-day week of the school year. At a time when numbers are high across our nation, this was done with a manageable number of quarantines and minimal COVID-positive cases.

We now look to maintain this through to the beginning of winter break on December 24th, and begin to prepare for our return to school in January.

We believe that the virtual week following Thanksgiving worked as intended. The district is committed to keeping our students in school - eventually with longer sessions - and the move to a week of virtual instruction after winter break will help us remain in-person with longevity and limit transmission within our community.

As a result, **Monday, January 4th- Friday, January 8th, 2021 will be full virtual instruction.** Students will follow their regular in-person schedule virtually. It is planned for students to return to in-person instruction on *Monday, January 11, 2021*.

Our intent is that this advanced notice will inform your winter break and holiday plans and give you the time to prepare for the week of virtual instruction in January.

As stated many times before, please be aware that despite the best of planning a move to virtual instruction can happen at any time.

In the closing days of a challenging year, I hope this festive season finds and holds you and yours well and that all of our resolutions ring in a new year filled with more hugs, more handshakes, and more kisses on the cheek than ever before!

Happy Holidays and Cheers to a Healthy New Year!

Sincerely,

Dr. John E. Bormann Superintendent of the Borough of Rumson School District