



Parsippany-Troy Hills Township Schools

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Good afternoon, Parsippany Families.

Today concludes Day #6 of Distance Learning! I am so impressed with our innovative teachers and our adaptable and smart students. I've watched with tremendous pride as our students listen to virtual read alouds, our principals provide video Morning Messages, and our teachers responsibly plan out their day of teaching. Despite the very challenging times we face, the resilience and positive work ethic of our school teachers and families is a shining light on this learning community.

Our school closure will be extended for several more weeks. All NJ schools are closed under Executive Order #104 of the Governor and cannot re-open without the restrictions being lifted on public schools. As long as COVID-19 cases are increasing in NJ, schools will certainly remain closed. It will most likely take several consecutive weeks for the number of cases to drop in NJ before opening is even a consideration. Therefore, we should expect to continue our Distance Learning through at least April 17th and I will communicate additional information at that time.

Please keep in mind the following items:

- ∂ Spring Break is Monday, April 6 through Friday, April 10. We will pause Distance Learning during this week; teachers will not assign lessons or be available for instruction. Please enjoy a much-needed break.
- ∂ If any elementary families still need to pick up a work folder for their child, please come to the Calabria Education Center, 292 Parsippany Road, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The folders are organized by school.
- ∂ Free and reduced meals are available Monday through Friday between 11:00 a.m. and noon at Parsippany Hills High School and Parsippany High School. If your family is unable to pick up a meal at these locations, please speak with your school principal and we will make other arrangements for you.
- ∂ The school buildings are off limits to students and families during our closure. Our custodians are working to clean and disinfect the school buildings, and handle minor repairs.

I hope your family continues to be well. Please know that you can reach out to any of us should you have questions or need assistance.

With warmest regards,

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