



District Community:

The District has been in consistent communication with the BCDOH, Mayor & Council and OEM, as recently as zoom meetings taking place yesterday and today. We would like to share our action plan for the next few weeks.

First and foremost, the community of Maywood and its schools were commended by the County for its collective efforts in limiting the spread of the virus. It was noted that although surrounding Bergen County communities and beyond have since been labeled “Red”, precipitating some districts to go fully virtual, Maywood has remained “Orange.” The overall matrix for all of Bergen County remains “Orange” due to the fact that the regional matrix places Bergen County in the same zone with two other counties, and the collective summary for the three counties is “Orange.” Having said that, it was clearly noted that there are red hot spot municipalities surrounding our Boro and within Bergen County, and that the action plan found below for our District was deemed well thought out while using an abundance of caution where needed.

The County also lauded the fact that our school community has obviously listened to the consistent messaging and has been vigilant in notifying the District when and if there are any concerns. Our families/staff have notified us when they have come into contact with a presumptive case whether at a sporting event or because of interaction with a family member, etc.. They have called or emailed to note that they are staying home because of a symptom and they have consistently reached out to ask us for guidance as to the need or lack thereof to quarantine or get tested. This collective diligence has played a huge role in the few disruptions that we have had to endure during the first quarter of the school year.

The main concern emanating from our County health officials is the increased chance of community spread between and during the Christmas and New Year’s timeframe. Therefore we have altered our schedule centering around the time periods around the scheduled break to be prudent and cautious in our thinking and to be part of the overall solution. We emphasize the need to continue adhering to the quarantine and travel guidelines so that we have the best chance of success in maintaining in-person instruction and returning to normalcy for good.

Please keep in mind that this plan is based on current information, updated quarantine guidelines (7 to 10 days as opposed to 14), and the fact that the Regional Matrix remains “Orange”. If there is a change in indicators, please note that any part of the plan below may be altered. We simply wanted to share the plan with you sooner rather than later so as to allow for proper planning time.

**December 12**

**District Toy Drive collection in MAS Lot 9am - 12pm**

**December 14 - 18**

**District Toy Drive collection in both schools (Main Office Drop Off)**

**Week of December 14**

**Regular Hybrid schedule remains in place**

**December 18**

**Winter Wonderland Postponed**

**December 19**

**District Toy Drive collection in MAS Lot 9 - 11 am**

**December 21, 22, 23**

**Virtual for entire District - No in-person classes**

**December 24 - Jan 3**

**WINTER RECESS - No Classes**

**Jan. 4 - Jan 8**

**Virtual for entire District - No in-person classes**

**Jan. 11**

**Resumption of Existing Phase 2 Hybrid Schedule (Cohort A & B)**

## Overall Synopsis

- **We will be full remote as a District on December 21, 22, & 23.**
- **We will be full remote as a District from Jan. 4 to Jan. 8, returning to in person instruction on January 11, 2021.**
- **We will remain in Phase 2, utilizing Cohort A and B days and cohorts for the foreseeable future, instead of shifting to Phase 3.**
- **It was indicated that Phase 3 would begin on January 4th and continue through January 29th. Phase 3 would have eliminated the cohort system and instead had students in four days per week with no cohorts. Although that is indeed still the Phase 3 plan, we will not move to phase 3 upon our return in January. Instead we will maintain the course and stay in Phase 2 which will maintain the cohorts and the A/B In Person Days. We hope to move to Phase 3 sooner rather than later.**