



WANTAGH UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Superintendent of Schools

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Superintendent

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Dear Wantagh Community,

Earlier today, Governor Cuomo extended school closures for all New York State schools until **April 29, 2020**. We will continue to follow guidance about re-opening our schools based on the ever-evolving situation with the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). Some additional updates for our community include the following items:

Remote Learning: Remote learning opportunities will continue for our students. You can find additional information on our [remote learning web page](#). If you have trouble accessing your child's Google Classroom, please email parentportal@wantaghschools.org. Responses to this email address will be in real time between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM from Monday through Friday. If you have questions about classroom assignments, you can email your child's teacher directly. All teachers have set office hours each day to respond to inquiries.

Spring Recess: Remote learning will continue during the spring recess period. However, we certainly understand that some people may be observing religious holidays during that time and will be cognizant of that when creating our instructional plans.

Regents Exams: It was announced today that Regents exams will be cancelled this June for our secondary students. We expect additional guidance on how this will impact our students this week and will send something out to you with more detail when we receive it.

Meals Available: Breakfast and lunch continue to be available for all district students during this period of school closure. Meals can be picked-up daily between 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM from Monday through Friday at Wantagh Elementary School. Meals for the entire weekend will be distributed on Friday as well.

District Facilities: All district facilities remain closed. This includes our playgrounds, track, tennis courts and athletic fields.

Child Care: The district has partnered with SCOPE to offer child care for first responders and health care providers. You can go to www.wantaghschools.org to find the details about this program.

Board of Education Meetings: Our Board of Education meetings will take place virtually during this period of closure. A link to a livestream of our business meetings and a recording will be posted on our district website. A recording of our most recent meeting from April 2, 2020 has been posted for the community.

I will continue to update you as we work through this challenging situation. I wish all of our families good health and please know our school community is here to support you. If we can assist you in any way, please contact us. We will all get through this together.

Sincerely,

John C. McNamara

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