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## **Important Message: COVID-19 Update**

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Dear EPPS community,

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you on the way you have handled this difficult situation. Through the hard work of our teachers, administrators, support staff, as well as you the parents, the education of our children has continued seamlessly.

As new COVID-19 cases are identified in Bergen County, I request that you continue to refrain from attending large social events and limiting the number of attendees per gathering. Also, reinforce with your family members the importance of frequent hand washing, especially after blowing his/her nose or coughing. As a community, we must continue to work cooperatively in keeping the health and safety of our community a top priority, and continue to implement the different social distancing steps.

Please be reminded that the school district is offering meals for free and reduced eligible recipients. Using a "Grab and Go" program in the high school/ middle school cafeteria. The elementary students can pick-up their meals between 11am to 12 noon Monday to Friday and middle school and high school students from 12 noon to 1pm.

I encourage you continue to stay updated through official communication channels such as:

Center for Disease Control:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/summary.html>

New Jersey Department of Health Coronavirus Information:

<https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/ncov.shtml>

New Jersey Department of Health Communicable Disease Service:

<https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/schoolhealth.shtml>

All administration and staff are monitoring their emails daily and will answer any of your concerns. The email contact information can be found on the district and school websites. The administration will continue to keep you informed of new information as it becomes available.

As always, thank you for your support.

Regards,

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