



HOLMDEL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Office of the Superintendent

March 18, 2021

Dear Parents:

We are experiencing a significant spike in COVID 19 cases at the High School. To ensure the safety of our students and our staff, the High School will go completely virtual beginning tomorrow, March 19, 2021. All activities including sports will be postponed until we return to in-person instruction.

We are taking this action because student-athletes on two of our sports teams have already experienced positive COVID cases resulting in quarantine due to direct exposure. These cases and the additional number of exposures for other students and staff have led us to our decision to temporarily switch to virtual learning. We anticipate that students will be able to return to school following the spring break Wednesday, April 7, 2021. The spring sports program, scheduled to start April 1st, will open after the 14 day quarantine, April 2nd. Our three other schools, Village, Indian Hill, and Satz will remain open for in-person instruction.

The PSAT 10 and SAT are scheduled during this time. The SAT will be rescheduled for Tuesday, April 27, 2021. Unfortunately, the College Board does not have an alternate date for the PSAT 10. However, we will see if we can develop an alternative to the PSAT 10 so that our 10th-grade students have the opportunity to experience a PSAT 10 type assessment.

If circumstances change we will notify you as soon as possible. We are disappointed that we have to make this decision, but please know that it was made out of an abundance of caution and with the health and safety of our students and faculty in mind. In the meantime, we continue to encourage everyone in our school community to follow the CDC guidelines.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lee Seitz
Interim Superintendent