## Nountain Lakes School District

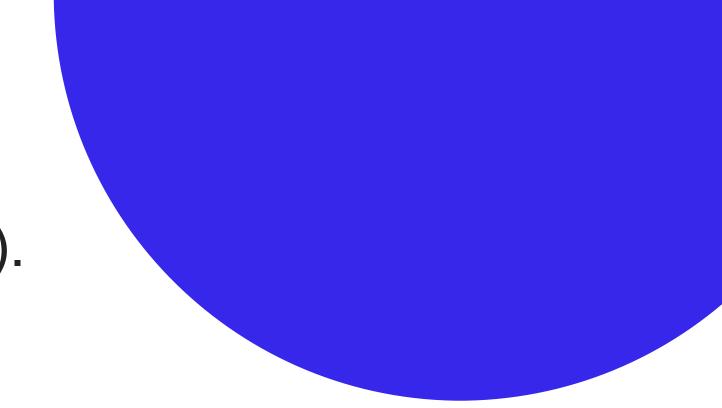
SUPERINTENDENT/ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Monday, March 7, 2022

## COVID-Related Updates



- COVID is still active in our region, but dropping dramatically (see <u>CALI Report</u>). Case counts since Feb. 12:
  - MLHS 3
  - BC 2
  - WW 2
  - LD 1
- The statewide school mask mandate was lifted today it was great to see so many smiling faces!



## Lake Drive Recognition



#### **Regional Deaf Education Centers of Excellence**

We are proud to share that the Lake Drive program was selected to be a pilot New Jersey Regional Deaf Education Center of Excellence.

With this designation, Lake Drive will be highlighted on the Resources for Students who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, or Deaf-Blind Programs page of NJDOE website as a resource for school districts.

The contact information for Lake Drive will indicate that we offer a wide range of direct & consultative services for in-district and out-of-district students who are Deaf, hard of hearing, or Deaf plus and that districts can contact Lake Drive if they are seeking information on meeting the needs of this population. New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA)-Reminder



### **NJGPA (Junior Graduation Test)**

 All juniors will be assessed on standards from English/Language Arts (ELA 10) and Mathematics. (Algebra 1 and Geometry) using the same computer-based platform they have used for Start Strong and the NJSLA.

School	Grade	Test	Date	<b>Total Testing Units</b>	Testing Units per Day
MLHS	11	ELA	March 14-16	3*	1
MLHS	11	Math	<b>March 17-18</b>	2	1

\*The Mountain Lakes School District was chosen to administer a field test for the ELA portion of the assessment; therefore, our district will be administering three instead of two ELA testing units.

- Please note we recognize some of our juniors will be missing testing due to the Disney band/choir trip and/or baseball trip. These students will have the opportunity to make-up the unit(s) they miss the following week during make-up assessments (March 21st- 25th).
- All testing will take place in the morning upon student arrival to school; the high school will operate on an adjusted schedule from March 14 through March 18. All children in a testing group will begin testing at the same time. Testing times are not flexible and children who arrive late will not be allowed to test in that session. If there is a delayed opening or if school is closed due to inclement weather, testing will be rescheduled.

#### Parent Communication

**Unit Length** 

90 minutes

90 minutes

MLSD Support Programming



### Staff Professional Development

- Health PD:Tuesday, March 7th
  - New Health Standards
  - Physical Education & Nurses
- PD Day: Wednesday, March 16th
  - Supporting Students (SEL)
    - How to manage your own thoughts and feelings
    - How to motivate or engage my students
    - Addressing student behavior
  - Fulfilling State Mandates



### Parent SEL Workshop Series

- Title: Leveraging skills for Self Awareness and Problem Solving to enhance youth voice and motivation.
- When: Tuesday, March 22, 2022
- Location: WebEx (to be shared at a later date)
- **Time:** 7:00- 8:00 pm
- **RSVP**
- **Description:** Explore skills for self awareness and problem solving to improve youth voice and choice and how these skills can help your student increase internal motivation.

#### • Objectives:

- How to enhance skills for self awareness and problem solving
- The importance of youth voice and how to apply it in everyday life Ο
- All past presentation information has been posted to our district website.

#### RUTGERS University Behavioral Health Care



#### **Student Training**

\*H&SA Sponsored Program

- Wildwood, Briarcliff and Lake Drive student mentors trained.
- The mentors are in the process of developing their experiential activities to their peers
- High School mentors will be trained later this Spring.



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## General Updates and Reminders



# Superintendent Coffee Talks for 2021-22

Thursday, October 21 - 9:00 AM, MLHS Tuesday, December 14th - 12:00 PM (VIRTUAL) Wednesday, February 9th - 7:00 PM, MLHS Wednesday, April 27th - 9:00 AM (VIRTUAL)