



BLIND BROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Blind Brook Families,

Before we take pause during the upcoming holiday recess, I wish to thank all members of our greater school community who collectively inspire and support our sustained commitment to keeping the students and staff safe throughout the pandemic.

We are not yet out of danger; in fact, the months ahead may be the most difficult of all. The safe and thoughtful decisions how families choose to celebrate during the week ahead will directly impact our ability to safely reopen our schools in January.

What the past year has shown us all is that when a community works together with collective responsibility, its members will rise to any challenge, especially concerning the social, intellectual, and physical safety of children.

As I take stock of 2020 and what we have been able to accomplish together in comparison to neighboring districts, it is fair to state that the teachers, staff, and administrators of Blind Brook have done a remarkable job of keeping schools safely open in the hybrid model.

This work has been strongly reinforced by the Board of Education and further assisted by groups such as the Medical Advisory Committee.

I am hopeful that with the relief of the vaccination program and other indicators of sensible change ahead that we will soon be able to look back affirmatively on our shared accomplishments that highlight our better nature in taking responsibility for the wellbeing of one another.

I wish all Blind Brook families the warmth, joy, and comfort of the holiday season.

Dr. Patrick Brimstein
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