

March 13, 2020

Dear Rahway Public Schools Community,

As of this morning, the Rahway School District's status has not changed regarding the novel coronavirus events. We have NO known cases of COVID-19 in the Rahway Schools.

There are three basic situations that the district could face:

1. Rahway Schools remain open.
2. The State orders all NJ Schools to close.
3. Rahway City Health Department closes Rahway Schools.

Right now we are in situation #1. Since there are no confirmed cases in Rahway Schools, we hope to stay open as long as possible. Unfortunately, staying open is becoming less likely since many colleges, universities, and school districts have been closed and have sent students home.

At this time, parents should start to make contingency plans for child supervision during school days. Should Rahway Schools be closed, ALL district activities will stop, including sports, extracurricular activities, school plays and evening assemblies, school trips, and after care. Rahway will continue instruction remotely ("home instruction") through the internet and paper packets of work. Should schools close, we will provide additional home instruction information to parents through teacher websites.

We have been informed by the State that in the event of a mandated closure, and if we can instruct students remotely, which we plan to do, the days will count toward our required 180 instructional days and will not have to be made up.

Additional health information and guidance can be found here:

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

We expect to receive periodic updates from Health Departments and will continue to keep you informed. We will be using postings to the district website, as well as phone calls and email to inform our families.

Thank you for your partnership in helping to keep our school community safe and healthy.



Dr. Patricia Camp  
Superintendent of Schools