

Howell Township Public Schools

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Dear Members of the Howell Community:

Once again, I hope this communication finds you and your family well. As you are aware, the COVID-19 pandemic continues to keep our school community in the remote learning environment. We are reaching out today in an effort to keep you updated and provide information that can prove to be helpful to our Howell Township K-8 family.

First and foremost, we would like to remind you that we are here to assist you in any way possible during these extraordinary times. Should you or your children need support in managing this new normal, please do not hesitate to reach out to members of our educational community. Please keep in mind that there are many useful resources that can be found at our <u>COVID-19 website</u>.

We would like to encourage you to visit the link below to review the modifications made to our grading procedures during the COVID-19 remote learning period. While it is important to maintain grading policies that guarantee integrity, we also recognize the need to support students in this very different learning environment that we found ourselves catapulted into in mid-March.

Quality Feedback as Grades

As we continue remote learning, please know that our <u>technical team</u> is here to assist in supporting your child's learning. Occasionally, we may send updates to the district device in order to optimize use and security. We encourage you to continue to monitor your child's use of <u>district issued technologies</u> and please <u>contact the Help Desk and/or</u> <u>Technician</u> for your child's school, should your child require technical assistance with their district-assigned device.

Should you require additional information pertaining to our remote learning plans, you can access the most recent information via the district's <u>COVID-19 website</u> or contact your child's school.

We are anticipating Governor Murphy making an announcement on or around May 15th regarding the balance of the school year and the potential for a reopening of public schools. While we cannot predict what the Governor will do, based on the information available to him, please trust that we are diligently planning for both a potential reopening of schools and an extension of our remote learning environment. Again, we hope that you are safe and remain healthy.

Be Well,

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