Black Horse Pike Regional School District

FEBRUARY 8-11, 2021 SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATE #12

BHPRSD CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Health Emergency Data and Responsibility

The Department of Health releases a weekly COVID-19 Activity Level Report. It can be found here.

Our District is in New Jersey Southwest Region, consisting of Burlington, Camden, and Gloucester Counties.

Testing Positive

If a student shows symptoms or tests positive, please email the child's school nurse to notify them of the positive COVID-19 test result and include the following information:

- Student Name
- School
- Grade Level
- Date of Symptoms
- Date of Positive Test
- Where Tested
- Contact Information

Highland nurse is Jeanine Tromater, <u>jtrommater@bhprsd.org</u> or 856-227-4100 x 4008

Triton nurse is Christa Moore, cmoore@bhprsd.org or 856-939-4500 x2008

Timber Creek nurse is Monica Coslove, mcoslove@bhprsd.org or 856-232-9703 x6008

OR

Complete this <u>Google Form</u> to report a positive COVID-19 test result.

Thank you for being responsible and keeping others safe.

Vaccine Link –Virtua Health

Vaccine Link - Inspira

Vaccine Link -Walgreens

Vaccine Link - CVS

Each school has planned activities for Black History Month

By Dr. Brian Repici, Superintendent

The Black Horse Pike Regional School District is committed to balancing the histories of multiple peoples in our curricula all year long. Through the work of our District and School Equity Councils, the Black Horse Pike Regional School District high schools are identifying resources and materials that emphasize multiple cultural perspectives, highlight a balance of accomplishments from a wide range of peoples, and recognize the riches, struggles, and accounts of and from a myriad of viewpoints. Simply stated, we are making a concerted effort to pursue and provide an equitable education. Please review our Equity Council's work at our website.

We have many students from diverse backgrounds and personal histories that do not feel connected to what we teach; they feel, at times, they do not have a voice. As a result, we are investing a lot of time reinventing our curricula, but also re-training our approaches to how we work with all children. Some adults are often uncomfortable having conversations about race and different cultures. Again, as a result, even though no one intended to minimize or overlook our students' needs, we recognize that we need to shift our own perspectives to validate their concerns and prepare ourselves to deliver an equitable education. In addition to making inroads in changing the full year curricula with real intentions of shifting resources, standards, materials, and skills, we are also heavily invested through the efforts of our faculty and staff to address our students' experiences. Our students are intellectual, bright, articulate, and deserve to be heard.

Our efforts during Black History Month are an illustration of the eagerness to celebrate African American culture and exemplifies the collaborative spirit among students and our staff. Faculty, staff, and students have designed a host of activities and events to celebrate Black History Month.

- Weekly orations of African Americans delivered by faculty
- Dance Team routines
- Gift of Song by Highland Choir
- Music created and inspired by African Americans will be shared
- Lessons embedded in classroom instruction
- Poetry Contest
- Celebration of Pivotal Black Moments
- "Black and Giving Back" by Timber Creek's African American Culture Club
- Timber Creek's warm clothes and canned food drive between February 1 and February 27
- African American Appreciation T-Shirt Sale
- Highland High School Door Decorating Contest
- Pictures, artists' renderings, and celebrations of African American culture and peoples throughout the schools.

Thank you.

Please utilize the services that are still available to students, even though we are operating a hybrid learning model. Our school counselors are ready to assist students and parents with college and career planning and providing students with strategies to improve their outlook. We have reading specialists, language arts literacy tutors, math tutors, and over 300 eager teachers to assist students with academic support. As caregivers, please remember to check your child's grades by logging into the Genesis Parent Portal. Please direct any questions to your child's teachers and they will respond in a timely fashion.

In need of internet? We can help. In need of headphones? We can help. Contact your child's vice principal for anything you think will help your child succeed because we are here to ensure the success of all of our students.

If you or someone you know is in crisis, please dial 911 or call Jefferson Crisis Center at 856-428-4357. You can also call 1-800-273-TALK (8255) to reach a 24-hour crisis center or text MHA to 741741 at the Crisis Text Line. Additional resources can be found at the "NJ Mental Health Resources" page.

Please remember to check our website for valuable information and updates about this school year at www.bhprsd.org.

THIRD MARKING PERIOD BEGAN JANUARY 25, 2021

Inclement Weather Days

In preparations for potential inclement weather, the school calendar has been adjusted to allow students to participate in an all-remote learning day rather than the cancellation of school.



UPDATES

8th grade parent nights, this week, will offer parents multiple, inperson opportunities to visit each High School.

Please click on the links below for more information about 9th grade orientation.

Timber Creek
Triton
Highland

<u>Timber Creek Teachers</u> <u>Build Desks for Students</u>

With sincere thanks to Mr. Smith and Mr. Arena of our Technology Department at Timber Creek for building and donating 20 desks to students in the community. See the news story here.

Helping the Local Community

AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURE CLUB

WARM CLOTHES AND CANNED FOOD DRIVE



We will be collecting non perishable foods and warm clothing (adults and children) for those in need.

There will be a bin outside of the main office where you can place your donations.

<u>REMINDER</u>: There will be no in-person or virtual learning on Friday, February 12, 2021 (teacher in-service day) and Monday, February 15, 2021 (President's Day).

If any student who is on a remote-only learning model wishes to return to the in-person learning model, please email your respective vice-principal as soon as possible.

If we are advised or observe that health data suggest to return to a temporary, remote-only learning model, we will communicate that decision as soon as possible.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1 7:45 am – 8:42 am	Period 2 7:45 am – 8:42 am	Period 1 8:00 am – 8:30 am	Period 1 7:45 am – 8:42 am	Period 2 7:45 am – 8:42 am
		Period 2 8:35 am – 9:05 am		
Period 3 8:46 am – 9:43 am	Period 4 8:46 am – 9:43 am	Period 3 9:10 am – 9:40 am	Period 3 8:46 am – 9:43 am	Period 4 8:46 am – 9:43 am
		Period 4 9:45 am – 10:15 am		
		BREAK 30 MIN		
Period 5	Period 6	Period 5 10:45 am – 11:15 am	Period 5 9:47 am – 10:44 am	Period 6 9:47 am – 10:44 am
9:47 am – 10:44 am	9:47 am – 10:44 am	Period 6 11:20 am – 11:50 am		
Period 7 10:48 am – 11:45 am	Period 8 10:48 am – 11:45 am	Period 7 11:55 am – 12:25 pm	Period 7 10:48 am – 11:45 am	Period 8 10:48 am – 11:45 am
		Period 8 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm		
Afternoons: M-R until 2:40pm, Friday until 2:10pm				
Teacher Office Hours, Planning and Academic Extra Help AND				
Students complete Asynchronous Work for Periods 2, 4, 6 and 8 (20 minutes each)	Students complete Asynchronous Work for Periods 1, 3, 5 and 7 (20 minutes each)	Students work on asynchronous assignments	Students complete Asynchronous Work for Periods 2, 4, 6 and 8 (20 minutes each)	Students complete Asynchronous Work for Periods 1, 3, 5 and 7 (20 minutes each)

Expand your knowledge of history by visiting these sites.

Black Culture Connection on PBS.org

26 Little Known Facts About Black History You May Not Have Learned In School on Oprah Magazine

Learning For Justice

Youth Poet Laureate Amanda Gorman's Inauguration Poem

How you can help your child embrace change and achieve success:

- 1. Make sure that your child **logs on** to their teachers' Zoom or Google Meet at **7:45 am** sharp **every day** that they are not physically in school.
- 2. Have your child **email their teacher** to schedule a private zoom session **for extra help** and/or to have their **questions** answered starting at 12:35 pm each day.
- 3. Sign in to the **Parent Portal** to **check** your **child's grades** and view teacher comments.
- 4. Check the **calendar links** on teacher websites for your child's classes to see the **assignments** given.

Remember, TOGETHER we can accomplish anything!

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Extra-Curricular Program Update

The Black Horse Pike Regional School District will continue to support co-curricular programs where possible dependent upon health conditions and COVID-19 data.

The NJSIAA has released additional guidance, which delays the Winter Athletic Season as per their schedule.

The NJSIAA also released this additional Winter Season Guidance on December 21, 2020.

Athletic Directors will be working with coaches, health officials, and school administrators to provide direction to parents and prospective student-athletes.

Basketball and cheerleading in-person practice may begin on January 16, 2021.

Those who are advising clubs and other co-curricular programs, except athletic programs, can continue to do so after 2 pm, so long as there is no contact between participants, masks are worn, social distancing is adhered to, and good personal hygiene are followed. We will inform you if that determination changes.

If a student-athlete is not exerting his or herself, they must wear a mask on the sideline. Cheerleaders and any Music participants must do the same when they are not exerting themselves. This is a directive from the Department of Health.

For detailed information on eligibility and forms for your student athlete, please go the following school web links:

Timber Creek
Triton
Highland

Breakfast & Lunch: Free to All Students

<u>ALL</u> students are eligible for free breakfast and lunch every day, whether they are in school or not, so long as New Jersey continues their support of this food service program. This is great news for our families.

Food service will be available to all students even while the school district is operating a remote learning model. The 7-day meal package will be available for students/families to pick up at each school between the hours of 12 pm-2pm and 5pm-7pm on Wednesdays. Need a gallon of milk...for free? Get one of our 7-day meal packages.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding food service <u>or have a need for delivery</u>, please call 856-227-4100 extension 4012. <u>Again, we will deliver food to our community based students</u>, you just have to call and request delivery service.

Click the links below for the food service form.

Timber Creek

Highland

Triton

IN NEED OF TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE?

Here is a link to solutions to common Chromebook issues. These solutions can help get you back up and running with minimal effort and without the need to come into the building for a replacement/repair.

 $\frac{https://www.bhprsd.org/cms/lib/NJ01001930/Centricity/Domain/4/Common\%20Chromebook\%20Troubleshooting.pdf$

If these solutions do not work and your technology issue requires repair and assistance, please follow these directions:

Chromebook Repair Procedures

Chromebook Repairs will take place at your building and will continue to follow the procedures that have been in place.

If your Chromebook is in need of repair, you may come to the school during building hours to pick up a replacement.

You do not need to make an appointment. Loaner Chromebook will be available at the front desk/office.

You will be instructed to fill out a form when dropping off your Chromebook and picking up a loaner.

Technology will contact you when your Chromebook is repaired and ready to be picked up.

Chromebook Question/Assistance

If you have a general Chromebook question, please email: tritonhelpdesk@bhprsd.org
timbercreekhelpdesk@bhprsd.org
highlandhelpdesk@bhprsd.org

Important Phone Numbers in Case of Emergency Crisis Mobile Response - PerformCare - Available 24/7 - 1-877-652-7624

<u>Crisis Center</u> - Jefferson Hospital - Cherry Hill - 856-428-4357 <u>DCP&P</u> - Department of Children Protection & Permanency (Formerly DYFS) - 1-877-NJ-ABUSE

Suicide Prevention Hopeline - 855-654-6735 Domestic Violence Hotline - 1-800-572-SAFE

If you or someone you know is unsafe <u>please call 9-1-1!</u>
They are there to help!

If you have any questions or concerns about COVID-19 or need support, Call 2-1-1 for information or text "NJCOVID" to 898-211 or click this <u>link</u> for more resources.