# Black Horse Pike Regional School District

### JUNE 1-4, 2021 SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATE #16

# **NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CHANGES**



# Health Emergency Data and Responsibility

The Department of Health releases a weekly COVID-19 Activity Level Report. It can be found <a href="here">here</a>. Our District is in New Jersey

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, <u>cmoore@bhprsd.org</u> or 856-939-4500 x2008

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

Thank you for being responsible and keeping others safe.

Vaccine Link –Virtua Health

Vaccine Link - Inspira

Vaccine Link - Cooper

Vaccine Link - CVS

Vaccine Link - Rowan

Vaccine Link - Walgreens

## Responding to ever-changing guidance.

By Dr. Brian Repici, Superintendent

The New Jersey Governor extended the Health Emergency on May 14, 2021 for 30 additional days. He has also made several announcements relative to Executive Orders that formed the basis of limitations and regulations since COVID-19 began. Therefore, our School District has to respond to these reports and changes as follows:

#### Vaccinations for Students 12 years of age and older (Sicklerville Sun article)

Through our partnerships with Inspira Health Network, we were able to vaccinate approximately 500 students, family members, and staff on Thursday and Friday last week. Inspira and the schools will host the second vaccination clinics, where the second Pfizer vaccination will be given, on June 10 at Triton and June 14 at Timber Creek and Highland Regional High Schools. Attendees were given appointment cards for their second vaccination date. We will not be giving out any first-time vaccinations on June 10 or June 14. Additional information on where to get a COVID-19 vaccination can be found below on this page.

#### **Graduation Ceremonies**

Each school is planning a graduation ceremony where each graduate is given four tickets. Graduations will be held in our athletic stadiums, starting at 6 pm, on June 16, 2021. We will have a rain date for the following day: June 17, 2021. All attendees of this outdoor ceremony will practice social distancing, as of now, **but no masks will be required**. We are looking forward to our Graduation Ceremonies... Congratulations Class of 2021 graduates!

The NJDOE and Governor's Office have put out guidance for Graduation Ceremonies and Proms.

#### **NJSIAA and Athletics**

Last week the NJSIAA announced that coaches, student athletes, officials, and spectators did not have to wear a mask to athletic events held outdoors and after school. Our School District is in agreement with this standard, so we will no longer require spectators, coaches, student athletes, and game officials to wear a mask to athletic events held after school and outside. We appreciate everyone's attentiveness to following the mask-wearing mandates while it was in existence.

#### **Travel Advisories and Quarantine Periods**

The CDC recommends travel be deferred until persons are fully vaccinated. If you must travel, based on the Governor's recent announcement concerning the Travel Advisory, the School District is no longer mandating a travel quarantine, unless the student or staff member is symptomatic. We believe our community members are equipped to use their best judgment in order to keep everyone else safe if they believe they came into contact with someone with COVID-19 or been in close contact with someone who was symptomatic. If symptoms emerge following travel, please seek medical diagnosis and treatment as soon as possible and inform the school of the symptoms, when they began, and if you are seeking a COVID-19 test.

Regionally, our percent positivity rate is in the Moderate Risk category, so there is still a risk of contracting COVID-19 within our local communities. It is our hope to get as many of our staff and community members vaccinated in the coming months, so that we can work towards a greater sense of normalcy. Try to find pharmacies and locations that use the Pfizer vaccine. We appreciate your efforts to follow all of the safety guidelines...we are so close to getting back to normal operations.... with your help, we will get there safely.

### **School Nurses**

Our school nurses have been nothing short of amazing super-stars for the past year and three months. They have been poised, patient, communicative, kind, and caring while interpreting Department of Health guidance, keeping our students and staff safe, and juggling a myriad of questions from multiple sources during a Pandemic. I will be forever grateful for their professionalism, dedication, tireless work ethic, and compassion during a time we needed it most. If you have not already, please let Mrs. Moore (Triton), Mrs. Coslove (Timber Creek), and Mrs. Trommater (Highland) know how much you appreciate them.

Thank you.

# BE PREPARED – YOUR FUTURE DEPENDS ON IT

# Week of Memorial Day Schedule Shift

Tuesday (June 1) and Wednesday (June 2) schedules will change that week.

Monday, May 31: OFF

Tuesday, June 1: Periods 1, 3, 5, 7

Wed., June 2: Periods 2, 4, 6, 8

Thursday, June 3: Periods 1, 3, 5, 7

# MISS MUSTANG at Triton Regional High School: Still Inspiring After 16 Years.

The 16th Annual Miss Mustang Scholarship Competition was this past Friday, May 21, 2021. Sixteen extraordinary young ladies have been preparing since January and their efforts gleamed brightly on stage that night. In addition to awarding 10 senior girls over \$9,800 in scholarships, Miss Mustang was also able to donate \$1,000 to Archbishop Damiano School in Westville, NJ. Amazingly, Miss Mustang has awarded \$148,974.00 in scholarships and donated \$9,800 to charities over the past 16 years. Many thanks to Mrs. S. DeCosta, Mrs. S. Spaulding, and Ms. D. Lucia. The link to the live show can be found here.

# C.A.R.E. Program and Job Transition II Program at Camden County College: A Great Partnership

For the first time, we opened a program, housed at Camden County College, designed to educate students in a therapeutic, close-knit educational community. So far, we have had four students graduate from high school early and have had students achieve success by attending every day, performing better academically, and responding well to social-emotional guidance. The students and staff have performed wonderfully, even in the face of COVID-19 this year.

In addition, we moved our Job Transition II Program to Camden County College this year and those staff members and their students have really been amazing. It has been difficult getting access for job placement due to COVID-19, but our staff members have been creative in teaching those skills to students, who are between the ages of 18 and 21. We believe we will be expanding that program to an additional 1,800 square feet next year on the second floor of the College Library.

# **District Updates**

#### **Summer School**

Summer school will be offered at all three schools this summer. This is an opportunity for students who did not perform well during this most unusual year to recover credits for up to two classes. More information can be found on our website at <a href="www.bhprsd.org">www.bhprsd.org</a>. Then go to any school and click on Parents and Students.

#### **Mental Health Awareness Month**

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. Please check out some information posted on Timber Creek High School's Mental Health Awareness Smore site.

#### **Academic Bridge Program**

The Black Horse Pike Regional School District is preparing a summer bridge program for entering ninth grade students in Language Arts and Mathematics. The Bridge Program will run between July 6 and July 22, for three weeks, and four hours a day (2 hours for Math and 2 hours for English). The purpose of the program is to invite students to strengthen their skills as they enter high school.

### 2021-2022 Student Schedule

Last week, Governor Murphy announced that all school districts in New Jersey will return to full time in-person learning for the 2021-2022 school year. As it currently stands, the expiration of this executive order will also remove the remote learning option. All students should be prepared to attend school, in-person, in the 2021-2022 school year.

There will be two classes of students who have never experienced a normal high school schedule, nor the demands of our high schools. Additionally, there is yet another class of students, Juniors, who have only had a normal high school experience for half a school year. Our student schedule for the 2021-2022 school year will be as follows:

# STUDENT SCHEDULE for 2021-2022

Please remember to check our website for valuable information and updates about this school year at <a href="https://www.bhprsd.org">www.bhprsd.org</a>

<u>If</u> 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.

Bell	Times	Time	Α	В	С	D
Announcements	7:20 - 7:25	5 min	Announcements			
1	7:25 - 8:18	53 min	1	4	3	2
2	8:22 - 9:15	53 min	2	1	4	3
3	9:19 - 10:12	53 min	3	2	1	4
Passing Time	10:12-10:16	4 min	Passing Time			
Lunch A	Lunch A 10:16 - 10:41	25 min	LUNCH A Prescribed Lunch for Freshmen and Sophomores Juniors and Seniors assigned to a location			
Passing Time	10:41 - 10:45	4 min	Passing Time			
Lunch B	Lunch B 10:45 - 11:10	25 min	LUNCH B Prescribed Lunch for Juniors and Seniors Freshmen and Sophomores assigned to a location			
Passing Time	11:10 - 11:14	4 min	Passing Time			
5	11:14 -12:07	53 min	5	8	7	6
6	12:11 - 1:04	53 min	6	5	8	7
7	1:08 - 2:01	53 min	7	6	5	8

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## **Use of Facility Update**

Local community organizations can apply to use our outdoor school facilities once again starting June 18, 2021. We are allowing any youth sports or community based organization to utilize our outdoor facilities if the forms are properly completed and approval is granted. See the Use of Facility application here.

# **Vaccination Opportunities**

This is a message from the New Jersey Department of Health to inform you that 12-15-year-olds are now eligible for the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine at no cost. To schedule an appointment, please contact the NJ vaccine call center at 1-855-568-0545 or visit covid19.nj.gov/vaccine. Ask your family and friends to get vaccinated!

Este es un mensaje del Departamento de Salud de Nueva Jersey para informarle que los adolescentes de 12 a 15 anos de edad ahora son elegibles para recibir la vacuna de Pfizer contra el COVID-19, sin cargo. Para programar una cita, llame al call center de vacunacion de NJ al 1-855-568-0545 o visite covid19.nj.gov/vaccine.; Pidales a sus familiares y amigos que se vacunen!

# Extra-Curricular Program Participation

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:

#### <u>Chromebook Repair Procedures</u>

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

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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.