

Remote Learning Parent and Student Update <u>March 30, 2020</u> Week 3 of Remote Learning

Dear Parents and Students,

We really miss seeing everyone and hope that you and your families are well. We are also hopeful that you are staying home, exercising where and when you can, taking care of yourself, and practicing social distancing. Unfortunately, the virus continues to impact more people locally and nationally. The number of postive cases in Camden County has now exceeded 120, which represents a 210% increase in one week. Stay home and practice social distancing.

Here are some resources that describe the virus or how it is transmitted: World Health Organization: How Coronavirus Can Be Transmitted <u>https://www.who.int/news-room/commentaries/detail/modes-of-transmission-of-virus-causing-covid-19-implications-for-ipc-precaution-recommendations</u> World Health Organization: How to Protect Yourself and Mythbusters About The Virus <u>https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public</u> Mystery Doug: How to Fight Germs and Wash Your Hands <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H2Qi0Nd4RIU</u>

We are still expecting our students to log on each day to complete their teachers' assignments. Please complete them to the best of your ability. Teachers will be posting grades more often in the Parent Portal in Genesis. If you need specific assistance, please respond in the Google forum or email your teachers directly.

I realize this is different, but I have faith that you are investing in your own education while you are physcially away from school. Remember, what you put in determines what you get out. Put your honest-to-goodness best effort forward. Make us proud!

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Send Us Your Pictures

Please send us pictures of what remote learning looks like in your home. We will post the pictures on the school's web pages so that we can virtually celebrate all of the great work our students are doing. Please send your pictures to the following individuals: Highland Regional High School: Ms. Kim Simon at <u>ksimon@bhprsd.org</u> Triton Regional High School: Ms. Laura Greenwood at <u>lgreenwood@bhprsd.org</u> Timber Creek Regional High School: Ms. Holly Bradley at <u>hbradley@bhprsd.org</u>

District Webpage

Our District webpage, www.bhprsd.org, will continue to update the community and it includes information for students, parents, and a FAQ document. We have also posted updates on our Facebook page, <u>https://www.facebook.com/bhprsd/</u>.

Governor Murphy's Executive Orders #104 and #107

Executive orders #104 and #107 closed schools in order to promote social distancing and thwart the effects of COVID-19. So long as those Executive Orders are in effect, schools will remain closed. Unfortunately, we have to limit contact even more since Order #107, so we are limiting essential personnel hours and limiting who has access to our schools. Essentially, the school facilities will remain closed to outside Use of Facility groups for the remainder of the school year. Here is the link to all of the New Jersey Executive Orders issued by Governor Murphy: https://nj.gov/infobank/eo/056murphy/approved/eo_archive.html

Communication

Our teachers, counselors, child study team case managers, and school administrators are available each school day via email. Student attendance is being taken when students log into their Google Classrooms or respond as instructed by their teachers each day. Previous documents posted on our webpage detail teacher and student expectations. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email your teachers or send a message via Google Classroom. I know our students are doing their best to engage in the learning opportunities provided by our teachers. If students do not engage or are struggling, school administrators, supervisors, counselors and teachers will be reaching out to students and families to find out what supports are needed.

Food Services

Since the Governor's Executive Order #107 and in the interests of everyone's health, we are going to serve bagged meals to eligible students on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday between 10 am and 12 noon. Bagged meals will cover multiple days. Students residing in the District can also pick up meals at any Gloucester Township Middle School on the same days. We are so appreciative of our cafeteria workers for providing this service to the community.

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Technology Support

If you are having difficulties with your technology, have an issue with connectivity, have a broken/unresponsive Chromebook, or need a new charger, please call any of the school's main phone numbers...plus extension 4357 Highland is 856-227-4100 extension 4357 Timber Creek is 856-232-9703 extension 4357 Triton is 856-939-4500 extension 4357 OR Email the technology department at helpdesk@bhprsd.org.

The IT department members will assist students, at Highland High School, by appointment only starting Tuesday, March 24, 2020. Contact the technology departments using the contact information above, anytime, and establish an appointment time. You can expect to drop off and pick up technology devices and other needs, curbside, at Highland Regional High School's Library Media Center side entrance (entrance B-2).

Career Counseling

This was shared with all students last week by one of our Career Counselors, Mrs. McElroy. "If you are looking for a good way to start researching Careers, Camden County College offers a really great service to everyone called "Career Coach." Click on the link below to get started. All you have to do is create an account (it is free) and you will be all set up. This awesome tool will allow you to not only research careers, but it also offers tests/quizzes for finding a career based on your interests, help with building a resume, job opportunities in your career field of interest and many more career related items."

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