



Tewksbury Township Board of Education

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Dear Parent, Guardians, and Staff,

The health and wellness of our staff and students continues to be the top priority of the Tewksbury School District. To that end, this letter is to inform you that the Tewksbury School District, after consultation with the Hunterdon County Health Department and with all Hunterdon County School Districts, has decided to close for students beginning on Monday, March 16, 2020. There will be no after-school activities, athletics, or field trips from March 16th through March 27th. This is a preemptive measure to slow the spread of the coronavirus.

Public health officials advise that social distancing is an effective strategy to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The district will be implementing remote home learning during the closing of school buildings. The chart below illustrates the timeline in which we will be implementing a remote home learning format:

Date	Activity
Monday, March 16, 2020	Schools Closed for Students Schools Open for Teachers (optional) Families: Staff will be available from the hours of 9 a.m. until noon for parents and students to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Pick up personal items from school;● Pick up Chromebooks and other learning materials;● Pick up medication from the nurse;● And receive any other assistance needed during this transition. Details for home learning will be posted on the website and emailed to families.
Tuesday, March 17, 2020	Home Learning begins. If you experience any technical issues with your Chromebook, please email Techsupport@tewksburyschools.org

Wednesday, March 25, 2020	Remote Home Learning continues. Reevaluation of the current situation with the Department of Health.
Monday, March 30, 2020	Possible reopening of schools for all staff and students Pending the reevaluation of the situation.

Please note, that upon reevaluation of the situation on March 25th, the district may remain closed through the end of spring break (April 19th). Our goal is to maintain instructional continuity using remote means. To this end, your child’s teacher(s) have developed home instruction lessons and activities that will be shared with you on Monday, March 16th.

During this period of homelearning, email is the preferred communication method for parent-teacher communications. Teachers will be available for “virtual office hours” on weekdays from 9:30am -2:30pm if students or parents have questions.

Contemplating weeks without a regular school routine can be overwhelming. Please know that we are doing our very best to make decisions that are in the best interest of our entire school community. Updates will be shared with families and posted to the district website as new and relevant information becomes available. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to work through this difficult situation.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to us with any questions.

Sincerely,

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