

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Flyers:

The YMCA is providing full day child care at the Community Center in Freehold Boro. Information on the service is provided [here](#).

Contacts:

Social/Emotional Hotline: 732-810-3146.

District technology issues: techstaff@freeholdboro.k12.nj.us

Restart and Reentry for September 2020:

On August 17th, growing from the changes brought on by Executive Order 175, the district decided to start the 2020-2021 school year fully remote, until such time that five health and safety issues can be resolved, or the restrictions eased. The complete district Reentry Plan in English is [here](#); in Spanish [here](#).

Our schools are currently sorting students based on the survey that closed August 14th. Although we will start 100% virtually, we have to have the ability to transition to our hybrid schedule at some point during this school year. When that point comes, we want to do so with the minimum of disruption to class assignments. So those students who requested full virtual will be in certain classes, those who requested hybrid will be in others. We also are sorting by A/B for the eventual transition. All of this sorting is above and beyond what we normally do for student scheduling. It is unlikely we will have this work done any earlier than Monday, August 31st.

Since the school year is starting differently than we had planned, or hoped, there are many adjustments we have to account for. We will be bagging our elementary students' materials that have remained in school since last March, and will work with parents to pick them up at agreed times. For last year's 6th and 7th graders, the school will work with parents to return student materials in the lockers and gym lockers. Information on these details will be coming from the school Principals. We also have to distribute the new parent calendars, last year's elementary yearbooks, and many other items. Be alert for distribution announcements.

Many parents have asked if the virtual instructional format for this Fall will be as we carried out last Spring. Last Spring the Department of Education allowed us to go virtual and work under home instruction rules. This Fall we are not working under home instruction rules. We will start the school year with students fully engaged with their teachers for the entire instructional day, except where they would normally have lunch or recess. Attendance will be taken. Fully, synchronous instruction will be carried out. I will be sending parents a survey from time to time to determine how we are doing in this regard.

Upcoming Events:

Fri, Aug 21: Food distribution 9am-12pm, rear of PAC

Mon, Aug 24: Food distribution 9am-12pm, rear of PAC

Mon, Aug 24: Tech Distribution FLC 9am, 11am (individual notice)

Mon, Aug 24: Regular BOE meeting - Virtual 7pm

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Tue, Aug 25: Tech Distribution PAE 9am, 11am (individual notice)

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Wed, Aug 26: Food distribution 9am-12pm, rear of PAC

Wed, Aug 26: Tech Distribution FIS 9am, 11am (individual notice)

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Thu, Aug 27:

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Fri, Aug 28: Food distribution 9am-12pm, rear of PAC

(This will be the final distribution date of the summer food service. We will outline new procedures for breakfast/lunch delivery starting September 8th via separate message.)

Mon, Aug 31:

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Tue, Sep 1: New Teacher Orientation

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Wed, Sep 2: New Teacher Orientation

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Thu, Sep 3: Teachers report, Professional Development Day #1

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Fri, Sep 4: Teachers report, Professional Development Day #2

Mon, Sep 7: Labor Day, district closed

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Tue, Sep 8: First Day of School for Students

Tue, Sep 8: Regular BOE meeting, 7pm

Thank you.

Rocco Tomazic

Superintendent

