



## Message From the Superintendent

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## Ramapo Indian Hills Regional H.S. District

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Dear Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School Community,

As we navigate through this unprecedented pandemic the District is dedicated to maintaining the safety and well-being of both our students and staff. Over the last couple of weeks, the administrative team has worked to create a schedule with the goal of increasing in-person in-class instructional time for each morning class period. This proposed schedule has been shared with the various stakeholder groups in the school community, including teachers, students, administrators, and parents, and has been publicly discussed at the November 9th Board of Education meeting.

With that said, we are looking to garner more feedback from students and parents regarding questions that have come up from the public presentation. In the near future, you will receive a survey. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey as your input is valued for the District's continued evolution of the Return to Learning Plan.

There were several other questions that stemmed from the BOE public presentation on Monday, November 9th, including live attendance for clubs and extracurricular activities, reviewing the complexity of contact tracing, and evaluating the potential of a full day program.

·**In Person Clubs/Extracurriculars:** The District understands the challenges of bringing students together for extra-curricular clubs and activities for in-person meetings and functions. This option is permitted as long as COVID-19 screening protocols are followed. Please reach out to the club advisors for additional details on in-person options.

·**Contact Tracing:** One of our challenges is facing the task of contact tracing when we have a laboratory confirmed positive COVID-19 case. We work closely with the Bergen County Health Department, our school physician, school nurses and the administrative team to determine any course of action regarding school closures, quarantine, and isolation.

·Evaluation of Additional In-Class Options: The District administrative staff meets regularly to debrief and share ideas. During these meetings the team continues to assess the current program, review other Bergen county programs, and look at ways to improve our schedule and procedures in dealing with this pandemic. Although a full day option is not feasible at this time, we continue to monitor our schools and the current metrics to achieve this goal.

We understand the growing frustrations given the limitations and safety precautions we all must take during this pandemic. Know that you have our commitment to continually look at and improve how to get back to normal and your feedback is always welcome during the process.

Michael Marano  
Acting Superintendent

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