Dear Nanuet Families,

As you know, there have been daily, even hourly, changes taking place during this unprecedented health crisis. We thank you all for your patience and support as we navigate these challenging times together.

On Friday, March 27, Governor Cuomo issued Executive Order 202.11, which extended the time schools would be closed through April 15, 2020, at which time the continued closure will be re-evaluated. Following that order, we communicated that all Nanuet Schools would continue “at home” learning through April 8 and observe our scheduled Spring Break from April 9 through April 17.

Upon further clarification from the Governor’s office, it was made clear that the days which otherwise would have been taken as vacation days during Spring Break must instead be used as school instructional days. This means that in order for school districts to get a waiver from the 180 school day requirement for State aid purposes, the days during Spring Break must first be used as instructional days.

The following statement from Michael Mulgrew, President of the United Federation of Teachers, may give some clarity to the Governor’s decision: “State health experts say the next two weeks will be critical in determining whether this public health crisis lasts for another six weeks or another six months. Governor Cuomo believes public schools can play a critical role in keeping kids engaged in learning at home during this critical period so the virus does not have the opportunity to spread more widely in our communities. That is why he is using his emergency powers to keep schools open during spring breaks throughout the state.”

As a result, all Nanuet Schools will continue to be engaged in “at home” learning through the weeks of April 9 - April 17. Additionally, food distribution will continue during those weeks for those families who are receiving meals through the District.

We understand that many of you were hoping for a break from the new online instruction routine, especially during the upcoming religious holidays. Based on the Governor’s Executive Order, school districts cannot lawfully recess for a religious holiday such as Passover (April 9) or Good Friday (April 10). However, parents and students should feel free to observe those holidays and report any absence as they normally would.

Attendance Protocol During “At Home” Learning

Please report children that will be absent and not participating in “at home” learning by sending an email to the designated attendance person in each building as listed below.

Teachers will assume that students are “Present” unless notified otherwise by the parent, in which case they will be marked absent. Student attendance will be marked through the same process as when schools are open.

Contacts for Reporting Attendance:

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Once again, thank you for your patience and continued support during this difficult time.

Stay safe Golden Knights!

With gratitude,

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Superintendent of Schools