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POCANTICO HILLS CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Dear Pocantico Hills Families-

I wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with some important information and updates.

As per the Governor's executive order, schools will remain closed and remote instruction will continue for the remainder of the school year. Please continue to work directly with your child's teachers and Mr. Brown so that we can help to ensure the maximum possible benefit to these efforts. If you have not already done so, please take a moment to fill out this brief, anonymous survey <https://app.satchelpulse.com/s/K6PQaphfKHQxoFL2V5idrLuW>. This information will help us continue to refine our practices as we strive to support your children. Additionally, we understand completely the added stress that we are all under and are fully prepared to provide help and support to your student or family. We have a variety of resources and services that are available to you. Please access these services by clicking on our resource link: <https://pocantico.pocanticohills.org/covid>.

The school budget and board election vote has been moved to June 9th and will be done entirely through the absentee ballot process. We will be sending out ballots directly to qualified voters with a stamped, self-addressed envelope for the return of the ballot. The guidance that we have been provided indicates that only ballots that are received at the District by 5 p.m. on June 9th are eligible to be counted. A school vote is one of the most democratic processes in our nation, so please do not wait to exercise your right to cast your vote.

In addition to educational activities, we continue to provide childcare to First Responders and essential workers and our food service heroes ensure that the nutritional needs of our students are met. The work does not stop there, and I am happy to report that last week we completed the installation of our lockdown emergency closure and notification systems. Additionally, it is full speed ahead on finalizing plans for the Energy Performance Contract which the Board of Education approved in December and we continue to work towards establishing a community based and determined solution for the tennis courts. Stay tuned for more information on both of these items.

We are so proud of our students, parents, educators, and staff members! Everyone is working incredibly hard to make sure that our students and families are provided with the tools and resources which will help to ensure their success and well-being.

Finally, thank you Pocantico Community! Your support means everything to us, and your many acts of generosity and kindness are truly reflective of a commitment to all.

My best regards,
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