

Important School District Message

March 20 update

Dear CWC School Community,

Here are a few notes as we complete our first week of the Remote Learning Plan:

1. Thank you again to everyone.

As I shared with them this morning, I am intensely proud of the excellent work all of our staff members have done during this crisis, responding to the needs of students, colleagues, and community members with exceptional compassion and dedication. We are very grateful for our partnership with you as families.

2. Long-range planning.

Since the re-opening of the district is to a certain extent out of our hands, it is very difficult to predict exactly when we might be able to hold classes in our schools again. At this point, however, it seems clear that we should be planning for Remote Learning to continue at the very least through April 3, i.e., until the start of Spring Break. While it is possible the Governor could direct us to open before then, it appears highly unlikely.

In terms of long range planning, school shutdowns throughout the country and around the world tend to be in the range of from eight weeks to the remainder of the school year. It would not be surprising if New Jersey falls into that time frame as well. We are therefore also beginning to consider some of the implications of us not returning to “regular school” until May, June, or even September.

3. Brief Board of Education Meeting on Monday, March 23, 2020.

On Monday, March 23, at 5:00pm, there will be a Board of Education meeting. The sole item on the agenda will be a proposal for the district to move back into the state School Employees Health Benefits Program. The Board of Education Conference Room will be open to the public, but any attendees are asked to practice social distancing to the greatest extent possible. If you would like to submit a question or comment electronically, you may do so by emailing it to me at jheinegg@cwcboc.org.

I wish you all the best as you and your loved ones continue to deal with the many personal and professional demands and uncertainties that have entered your lives these past few weeks. Have a healthy and restful weekend.

Sincerely,

James Heinegg

