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Dear Flemington-Raritan Regional School District Parents,

Today, Governor Murphy announced that the State of New Jersey's trends for the number of patients that are hospitalized for COVID-19 over the past two weeks have continued to decline. I remain saddened every time I see the number of deaths due to COVID-19 in our state, nation, and worldwide. I am hopeful that social distancing and our community's continued adherence to following the CDC's guidance will allow the state to continue to lift restrictions.

Even as the rate of reported cases of COVID-19 decreases, the ongoing risks presented by COVID-19 mean that the state's current executive orders must remain in place. Our schools will remain closed for the remainder of the school year. Remote learning for students will continue for the rest of the school year with our final day of remote learning scheduled for June 23, an early dismissal day. Please be reminded that remote learning will be held on May 22 to make up for the District's closure on December 2. May 22 is a Day 2 and a B Day for school schedules. Also, remote instruction will not be held on May 25 in observance of Memorial Day. There is no change to the 180-day state statute requirement for student attendance.

This week, Governor Murphy released [Executive Order 142](#) to guide gatherings, construction projects, and curbside pickup. This week's Executive Order 142 is a reference for our staff and leadership team when finalizing plans for promotion ceremonies, end-of-year celebrations, recognition of student accomplishments, and the return of supplies and personal items that remained when students left the building. We will also use EO 142 to guide the plans for the collection of curriculum materials that were sent home with students in March at the beginning of remote learning.

The guidance of Executive Order (EO) 142 states explicitly that car gatherings do not violate the Governor's ban on gatherings under the previously released Executive Order 107. However, EO 142 does have certain restrictions that we must comply with during our planning. Plans for these events will be finalized after collaboration with the Raritan Township Police Department and the Hunterdon County Health Department. As soon as plans are finalized and approved, we will share them with the community.

Every day there is a new challenge and problem to solve. Next week I expect to share with our community the final plans for summer extended school year learning for those students who are eligible to receive extended learning during the summer months. We continue to focus every effort on ensuring our students' access and participation in their remote learning, our community's safety and well-being, and that all children receive food and nutrition during our school closure.

As always, I wish you and your family the very best. Please be well.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kari McGann
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