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Dear Allamuchy Families and Community,

My hope everyone is enjoying their summer so far! It has been a year that will go in the record books for years to come. I am extremely grateful to the parents and community for their patience during these challenging times. Our staff have handled the situation well and worked hard to ensure our students were taken care of socially, emotionally and academically. We are extremely proud of our students, they really stepped up to the plate to adjust to these challenges and finished the school year very strong. We wish our 8th grade graduates the best of luck as they move into their high school career.

We were awaiting guidance as to what the opening of school would look like in the fall. Today, the New Jersey Department of Education and the Governor's Office, via a press conference, released the guidelines that we need to utilize locally to make decisions for the fall. Allamuchy has come together as a community, but more importantly as a family, to get through these challenging times. As such, I would like to share with you what has taken place to date and what is on the horizon as we move forward.

Actions to date:

- All Allamuchy Township School Buildings were closed to the public when schools closed for the school year.
- Our staff have closed out their rooms and buildings for the school year.
- Custodial staff have been working since the closure of school to clean the buildings thoroughly.
- The Pandemic Team has been meeting weekly throughout the closure to plan based on current and future needs for the facilities and instruction.
- The administration and staff have worked with the parents and community to collect and distribute materials typically completed during in-person instruction.

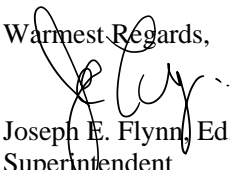
Action moving forward:

- Administrators and Custodial staff will continue to clean the buildings thoroughly and have them ready to open in the fall.
- We will shift the Pandemic Team to a Reopening Committee to develop the plan for opening the Allamuchy Township School District in the fall. The committee will include but not be limited to Administration, Teaching Staff, Custodians, Bus Drivers, Board Members and Community Members.

The Staff, Students, Parents and Community have been AMAZING throughout this entire situation. The Governor and other members of the panel indicated we are still not out of the woods yet. However, there is certainly light through the trees, and with proper planning and protocols, we are hopeful we will develop our approach for September that will fit the needs of our District. We will be sharing a survey with the community to collect data to assist in our decisions early next week. As we continue to move forward, we will continue to share the information with you as decisions are made so families can plan accordingly.

On behalf of the Allamuchy Township School District and the Board of Education, STAY SAFE AND BE WELL!

Warmest Regards,


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Superintendent