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Dear Sussex-Wantage Community,

I hope this correspondence finds you well. I am writing to make you aware of a few important pieces of information and updates.

***Expansion of In-Person Instruction (Four Days/Week)-***

As the District works to finalize plans to expand opportunities for in person instruction we have been weighing many factors. In that regard we would love to hear your input. Please consider completing a survey using the link below. In addition, we would love to have more representatives on our Pandemic Response Teams. These meetings are opportunities for stakeholders to contribute their ideas. The next meeting for each school will be held virtually on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 pm. The goal of that meeting is to finalize our approach for expansion. If you are interested in joining this meeting, please email your child's principal. Please be aware that we are also surveying stakeholders and SMS students about their remote instruction schedule preference. *These surveys are anonymous.*

***Survey Link:***

<https://forms.gle/3QnWxhf7cHPcMrRRA>

***“COVID Compatible” Symptoms-***

In regard to our two most recent “COVID Compatible” individuals, we have received confirmation that these individuals tested negative for COVID. We also received an update from the Department of Health which indicated that we will no longer contact trace for “COVID Compatible” symptomatic individuals. The individual with symptoms will be excluded from school and contact tracing will occur if he/she tests positive for COVID.

***Heating Issue Resolved-***

The heating issue that shifted us to remote instruction has been remedied. In-person instruction will resume this Thursday for Cohort A and Friday for Cohort B.

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**School Pictures**-Please mark your calendars. School pictures have been scheduled for:

Lawrence School - March 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>  
Wantage School - March 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>  
Sussex Middle School - March 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Virtual students: March 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> 9:00 -12:00 at Lawrence School  
*Ordering information will be available at a later date.*

Sincerely,

Michael Gall  
Superintendent/CEL Principal

NJDOH Weekly COVID-19 Activity Level Report:  
<https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/statistics/covid/>