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Dear Sussex-Wantage Families,

I hope this correspondence finds you well. Thank you to all of our students, parents, staff members, and community members for their continued efforts in supporting the needs of all learners during this challenging time. While the challenges we face are unprecedented, I continue to remain confident that we will persevere as a school community. As we conclude the first two weeks of remote learning, I am writing to share some updates with you.

Marking Period Dates-

Please be aware that we have adjusted our marking period dates as follows:

Marking Period 3 will now end on April 9th.

Marking Period 4 will begin on April 20th and reports cards for all students will be accessible online on Friday, April 24th via the *Realtime Parent Portal* for all schools.

NJSLA Testing-

NJSLA (formerly PARCC) testing has been cancelled this year due to COVID-19.

School Closure-

As a reminder, it is now at the discretion of Governor Murphy to decide when schools will reopen. The Governor has declared that all schools will remain closed through April 17th, *at least*. As that date approaches, Governor Murphy and his staff will reassess the situation and provide further guidance. This could result in a longer closure. As more information becomes available, we will continue to keep you informed.

Digital Remote Learning-

Moving forward, all schools will transition to primarily digital learning. This is particularly important for parents of CEL students as WES and SMS are already practicing significant aspects of digital instruction. Please anticipate receiving more information about assignments from your child's teacher. If you have a specific need concerning digital remote learning please communicate that directly with your child's teacher.

Wantage OEM-

The Wantage Office of Emergency Management (OEM) has expressed an urgent need for personal protective equipment (PPE) to be utilized for COVID-19. If you have the following new, unused equipment and would like to donate it, please be aware that any donations can be dropped off at the Wantage Township Building.

- Nitrile Gloves (all sizes)
- Coveralls/Tyvek suits/Medical Gowns
- Face Shields/Goggles
- N95 Masks
- Procedure Masks
- P100 masks/Air Purifying Respirators

The Sussex-Wantage Regional School District and I wish you continued success meeting these unprecedented challenges. We sincerely miss each and every one of our students and families. It is our sincere hope that you, your families, and loved ones are staying healthy and safe while practicing social distancing. Please know that we are here to help in any way that we might be able to. We will continue to do our best to keep you informed regularly with consistent communication.

Sincerely,

Michael Gall
Superintendent of Schools