March 27, 2020

Dear North Plainfield School Community:

As we close week two of our Remote Learning Plan, I want to send our staff, students and families a note of appreciation and good wishes during this unprecedented time.

We have some important updates to share with all of you.

- Last night, I received a memo from Commissioner Repollet, and he reiterated that the decision to reopen schools lies with Governor Murphy. As a result, our schools will be closed until we receive further guidance and directive from Governor Murphy and the health departments. In the interim, we will be continuing remote learning and will be planning lessons accordingly.

- Spring Recess will be observed as originally scheduled, beginning Monday, April 6 through Monday, April 13. Remote learning instruction will resume on Tuesday, April 14.

- The New Jersey Department of Education has cancelled statewide student assessments for this academic year. This includes the spring administration of the New Jersey Student Learning Assessments (NJSLA), ACCESS for ELLs, and the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) assessment.

I recognize how difficult this is for our students, our families, and our staff. I am proud of the strength our school community has demonstrated. Please continue to follow the recommendations and practices outlined in social distancing and practice good hygiene. I join you in the challenge of balancing life indoors, education for the children in our homes and working from home. Let us continue to take care of ourselves and each other.

Sincerely,

Michelle Aquino, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools