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Dear Bayonne Public School Community,

The Bayonne School District continues to evaluate the COVID-19 pandemic and the health and safety of our community of learners. As part of our continuing effort to reevaluate our educational plan, it has been determined that all learning will continue virtually until at least January 29, 2021.

Our decision mirrors the decision by other districts to remain all-remote learning amid rising coronavirus cases. Some school districts where in-person classes have resumed have already decided to switch to all-remote learning. All of these factors together with our continued installation of air mitigation systems were considered in the recommendation and decision.

The Bayonne School District will follow the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJSIAA) protocols for beginning of winter sports. Please be advised that our athletic department will be contacting our winter teams with all of the revised start dates and new rules. Winter interscholastic sports will start and end at very different dates and times this year due to COVID-19. Please be on the lookout for messages from our athletic department and your coaches.

We will continue to evaluate the data surrounding COVID-19 and will strive to keep parents, students and staff up to date as our plans evolve. Please remember to check your email and the BBOED website each day for any updates. As always the safety of our community of learners is at the forefront of all of our decision-making.

We wish all of you a safe and Happy Thanksgiving,

Sincerely,

John J. Niesz Superintendent