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March 13, 2020

Dear Morris Hills Regional District Community,

The Morris Hills Regional District, in consultation with our local health officers, as well as local and state agencies, has decided to close our schools beginning Monday, March 16, 2020 through March 27, 2020 to take proactive, preventative measures to stop the spread of COVID-19. In addition, all school activities and athletics are canceled until further notice. Our facilities will also be closed to all outside organizations until further notice. We will provide a status update on March 27th to all members of our school community.

In order to maintain continuity of instruction, **virtual home instruction will begin on Tuesday, March 17th.** Virtual home instruction will continue weekdays through Friday, March 27th. Students will receive an email each morning reminding them of their A/B schedule and asking them to check in via Google Forms for attendance purposes. Assignments and instructional materials will be posted in Google Classroom each morning by 8:05 AM. Our staff members will continue to provide the best possible education to our students in the most flexible manner. In addition, our school counselors and case managers will continue to meet the needs of our students in Google Classroom, while virtual home instruction is in place. For additional information, please visit our district website: [www.mhrd.org](http://www.mhrd.org).

We are committed to supporting our students, parents, and staff members during these difficult times. We will continue to update you with any information we receive from local and state agencies. Thank you for your support and please reach out with any questions or concerns you might have.

Sincerely,

James J. Jencarelli, Jr. - Superintendent  
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