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Dear Morris Hills Regional District Community,

We sincerely hope that this letter finds you healthy and safe during these unprecedented times. As we continue to adhere to state mandates of school closures and social distancing, we would like to inform you about the decisions we have made regarding our summer athletic and marching band activities. Please know that these decisions were not made lightly. They were made in the best interest of our students' continued health, safety, and well-being:

- The Morris Hills Regional District Board of Education has determined that, at this time, summer athletic and marching band activities will not be permitted.
- Members of the coaching staff may continue to maintain virtual contact with their players and marching band members. Student-athletes and marching band members are encouraged to workout and practice on their own in a safe and socially distant manner.
- The Athletic Departments and Music Departments of Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School are diligently working and preparing for the opening of the 2020 fall athletic and marching band season.
- At this time, the Morris Hills Regional District anticipates that all mandatory fall season practices and tryouts will begin on the NJSIAA official starting dates. These dates are the following:
  - **August 10, 2020** for Football and Girl Tennis
  - **August 17, 2020** for Boys' and Girls' Soccer, Field Hockey, Boys' and Girls' Cross Country, and Girls' Volleyball
  - Marching Band Directors will determine start dates
- Given the fluid nature of COVID-19, the dates above are subject to change by the NJSIAA.

Please be advised that Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School are currently accepting registration for fall athletics and marching band. Please visit each school's website for registration information.

We will continue to monitor the rules and guidance provided by the State of New Jersey and the NJSIAA, and any changes will be made with the best interest of our students' continued health, safety, and well-being in mind.

Sincerely,

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