March 15, 2020

Dear School Community:

The COVID-19 situation has evolved rapidly over the last two weeks. It’s important that Cape May County Special Services School District (CMCSSSD) gives accurate information, and the factual steps that we are taking as a school district.

Over the past few weeks our district administrative team has participated in conference calls and meetings with the New Jersey Department of Education, and the New Jersey Department of Health to review options for limiting the spread of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus). At this time, upon the recommendation of the County Health Officer, and under the direction of the New Jersey Department of Education, CMCSSSD will close for all students, effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020 until Monday, March 30, 2020. Please note this date is subject to change based on information and direction provided by the New Jersey Department of Health.

All extracurricular activities, such as our after school LEEP Program are also canceled. In addition, our Community Swim Program is canceled until further notice. CMCSSSD Administration and Faculty will keep all families and stakeholders informed as information develops.

Please be aware, the administrative and educational staff in both Ocean Academy and Cape May County High School have been working on plans to deliver on-going educational programming during an extended school closure. Our district staff has created lesson plans and activities (both online and in individual student folders) in collaboration with related services specialists. Parents/Guardians and students, as appropriate, will be receiving further information regarding the means of accessing assignments, schedules, and activities to complete at home over the next few days.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation during this time as we work together in taking the recommended steps to maintain student education while protecting the safety of our school communities.

Sincerely,

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