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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Over the course of the past few weeks our district has spent time reevaluating our situation with regard to reopening schools. As you know, my September 18 letter had informed the community we would begin to gradually bring students in grades 4-5 and 2-3 for in-person learning on September 29 and October 5 respectively. I also indicated that we should bring back students at RMS no later than October 19. Beginning on **Tuesday, October 13, we will bring back students in grades 6-8 for in-person learning according to the hybrid schedule.** This is a week ahead of schedule from what we had anticipated, which is positive news for the students of Readington.

Below are some important reminders:

- We will be utilizing our hybrid schedule for A and B days, and Virtual Wednesdays. Please see the [detailed school calendar](#) for the A/B day rotation and virtual days. (make up Wednesdays will be used beginning in November).
- The district will continue to operate on an early dismissal schedule. No lunch will be served, please ensure your child eats breakfast.
- Parents who opted for your children to be fully virtual regardless of our reopening plans will remain fully virtual. If you wish to make a change, please contact your principal.
- Transportation will be provided to those families who previously selected to receive school transportation. The routes will be available in *Genesis*.
- **Parents must log into *Genesis* each morning** to fill out the COVID-19 Daily Pre-Screening symptoms assurance form. The *Genesis* announcement will come to you a few days prior to your child's start to school.
- All students are required to wear a mask. New guidance from the Hunterdon County Health Department has informed us that neck gaiters, bandanas, and masks with vents are unacceptable face coverings. Please refer to your school's Virtual Backpack page for more information.
- Students who are eligible for ESL services will be attending 4 days per week as previously scheduled. A reminder letter to eligible students will be sent from the Pupil Services Office.

In addition, we continue to need substitute teachers for the 2020-2021 school year. If you have 60 college credits, or know someone else who does, and you are interested in becoming a substitute please [click here](#) for a Google Form or contact Lisa DeTommaso at 908-534-2896.

We look forward to having all students back to school in a reduced capacity. Our district will monitor district operations and public health data for the next few weeks to ensure our school protocols provide for a safe environment. We thank you for your patience and resilience as we navigate this ever-changing situation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Hart".

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