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Dear Parents,

Despite COVID-19, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the 2020-2021 academic school year. On August 12, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order 175, which allows NJ schools to provide full-time remote learning. After consulting with the Cumberland County Department of Health, Vineland Health Department and the Cumberland County Superintendents, we will begin the start of school in a 100% remote learning platform as with the majority of schools in Cumberland County.

The current health risk in Cumberland County currently sits at the Moderate level. We will monitor each month, evaluate in December 2020, and return to school in January 2021 if deemed safe. Everyone should take extreme joy in knowing that literacy, math, school climate, and early childhood are the same school-wide district goals for this year within the remote learning educational environment.

Through the same charismatic and collaborative leadership, we are excited to work together in the spirit of team to generate innovative ideas, improve student achievement, strengthen parental involvement, and move the school forward during COVID-19. With full school-community support, we will continue to inspire and inject enthusiasm into the educational veins of the district while simultaneously keeping the bar of expectations high. Ultimately, we will proudly provide quality programs and services during this unprecedented time.

As we embark on this remote learning journey, please know that a master class schedule was thoughtfully created to provide more layers of instructional intervention, basic skills, counseling, and intense academic support for the betterment of students. In addition, we are happy to share the fact that we will continue to endorse the same set of cultural norms. Rest assured teaching character education, encouraging student citizenship, addressing social emotional learning, and displaying moral leadership are top priorities. The aim is to stand on the permanent plateau of school excellence even during these difficult COVID-19 times.

Unquestionably, we see value in adopting a shared-vision approach, working together attitude, and cultivating positive community relationships rooted in respect and trust. In this manner, striving to also foster a school climate anchored in professionalism shall be seen as critically important. Above all, we are deeply devoted to making sure all students are experiencing school success within a safe and healthy learning environment.

In light of the above, we are excited to make a meaningful difference in the lives of all students. In spite of COVID-19, we are 100% confident this will still be the best year ever. We look forward to your support.

Respectfully Yours,



Dr. Michael Knox

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