

# WANAQUE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

This letter is to inform you that an additional individual at Wanaque School has tested positive for Covid-19. The District is coordinating closely with public health officials and following CDC, State, and local health department guidance in order to assure the health and safety of our community.

Due to the advice of the Department of Health, Wanaque School will be following virtual only schedules until Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. **In-person instruction will resume on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, which is an A Day.** Haskell School will remain opened for normal hybrid instruction.

If you are considered a “Close Contact,” you will be notified by the school. A close contact is someone who was within 6 feet of a confirmed case of COVID-19 for at least 15 minutes in a 24 hour period.

Your building principal will be sending out an email shortly regarding virtual schedules.

Continuous cleaning and disinfecting of all exposed areas is underway. The school is also taking precautions to prevent the introduction and spread of viruses and other germs and is cleaning frequently touched surfaces daily. The status of this situation is fluid, and we are monitoring it closely.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We encourage parents and students to continue following the [Centers for Disease Control & Prevention](#) promoted safeguards, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering while in school; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for symptoms.

As always, we appreciate our community’s support and cooperation. You can assist us by remaining vigilant but sensible in your approach to dealing with this health concern. Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to contact me. Below are some resources that might be helpful.

## RESOURCES

- NJDOH COVID-19 Information for Communities and the General Public:  
973A RINGWOOD AVENUE · HASKELL, NJ · 07420 · (973) 835-8200 · (973) 835-1316 (FAX)

[https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019\\_community.shtml](https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019_community.shtml)

- Get the Facts about Coronavirus: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- Symptoms of COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptomstesting/symptoms.html>
- Testing: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/testing/index.html>; <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/testing>
- How to Protect Yourself: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-gettingsick/prevention.html>
- What to Do if You Are Sick: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/stepswhen-sick.html>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Mooney". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "R".

Mr. Robert Mooney