

**Mercer County Technical School District & Mercer County Special Services School District  
Coronavirus (COVID-19) Action Plan – as of March 25, 2020**

Designees:

Superintendent - (MCTS and MCSSSD) Dr. Kimberly J. Schneider  
 Communications- (MCTS and MCSSSD) Dr. Kimberly J. Schneider  
 School Safety Specialist – (MCTS) Deborah Donnelly, (MCSSSD) Rick Hillman  
 Assistant Superintendent/HR – (MCTS) Dana Hice DePugh, (MCSSSD) Brian Bittings  
 Rubino Academy Team – Antoinette Gomes (Executive Director), Henry Krzeczowski (Principal)  
 IT Department - (MCTS, MCSSSD) Rick Hillman; (MCTS) Heather Pyle, (MCSSSD) Gina Buzgo  
 Buildings and Grounds - (MCTS, MCSSSD) Rick Hillman

<b>Phase</b>	<b>Trigger</b>	<b>Actions</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Responsible Parties</b>
Phase I – Prevention	CDC NJ Health	Communications: Broadcast, Texting	Dr. Schneider responsible for all internal and external communications to include school community, County administration, Board members and Association leadership. Dana Hice DePugh is backup to the Superintendent. School Safety Specialist – (MCTS) Deborah Donnelly, (MCSSSD) Rick Hillman.	Superintendent: Dr. Schneider Senior Administration: Deborah Donnelly, Dana Hice DePugh and Rick Hillman · (MCTS) Heather Pyle and Nick Sakowski - staff/student communication using RoboCall, PowerSchool, Frontline, Constant Contact · (MCSSSD) Gina Buzgo - staff/students communication · (Rubino) Antoinette Gomes responsible for all communications, Henry Krzeczowski is the backup. Calls to students – all staff. Letters to students – Mary OBrian.
		Information Campaigns by Incident Committee & Human Resources	Links to Department of Health, CDC, and NJ Department of Education on website.	Incident Committee, and; Human Resources – (MCTS) Dana Hice DePugh and (MCSSSD) Brian Bittings. (MCSSSD) Gina Buzgo, Operations Specialist (MCTS) Nick Sakowski, Community Liaison (Rubino) Terie Huster, Human Resources
		Set up Virtual Information Desk	Website is the point of contact for all inquiries from school families and disseminated to key personnel. Principals are the point of contact for building staff. Superintendent communicates to Administration. Paper phone chain for staff, teachers need phone chain for students. Upload doctor’s notes into Frontline. Enter absences in Aesop. Parents to access to PowerSchool and RealTime.	(MCTS, MCSSSD) Principals in main offices using email (Rubino) Jamil Evans, Patricia Foltiny, Shayne Mains, Mary OBrian
		Communication for sick students/ staff – use NJ DOE protocol	Principals and Nurses to inform Senior Administrative Team. Superintendent informs local Department of Health and County Education Office.	Incident committee, Building Principals and Nurses, local Department of Health, Mercer County Department of Health Officer
		Breakfast/Lunch provided	Sodexo will prepare and distribute (free/reduced). NJ Department of Agriculture has required an application to distribute food. The application was submitted 3/16/2020. We intend to distribute food to students who are eligible for free/reduced lunch starting with lunch on 3/17/2020 during the extended school closings. We will continue to provide lunches until distribution centers open at our school districts.	Sodexo will manage. Sodexo, supervised by Deborah Donnelly NJ Department of Agriculture guidance

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			<p>As of 3/25/2020, meals can be picked up for free/reduced eligible students on Mondays and Thursdays. If more convenient community distribution centers open, information will be released as it becomes available. Check district websites, email <a href="mailto:meals@mcsssd.us">meals@mcsssd.us</a> with any questions.</p> <p>Distribution for eligible students:</p> <p><b>Mercer County Technical School District:</b>  <a href="#">Assunpink Center students</a> from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm pick up at MCSSSD’s Mercer High School (Main entrance bus stop) at 1020 Old Trenton Road, Hamilton, NJ 08690.  <a href="#">Sypek Center and Rubino Academy</a> students from 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm pick up at Sypek Center’s Building A, 129 Bull Run Road, Pennington, NJ 08534.</p> <p><b>Mercer County Special Services School District:</b>  <a href="#">Mercer Elementary, Mercer High School and Joseph F. Cappello School</a> from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm pick up at Mercer High School (main entrance bus stop), 1020 Old Trenton Road, Hamilton, NJ 08690.</p>	
		<p>Students who want to attend classes from home</p>	<p>Administrative meetings held 3/9/2020 to finalize the details of the academic and attendance procedures Emergency Lesson Plans completed and submitted to Principal Secretaries by 3/13/2020. Cloud storage for access to Emergency Lesson Plans - Teachers to use Gmail accounts. “Remind” app to be used to protect Instructor’s privacy.</p> <p>Emergency eLearning Days eliminate the loss of instructional time during unscheduled school closures. If an Emergency eLearning Day is necessary, it is considered a regular school attendance day and does not need to be made up at the end of the school year. The purpose of an Emergency eLearning Day is to provide a continuum of learning for students in the event school needs to close. Teachers leverage Google Docs and Project and Problem Based Learning to provide students with relevant, meaningful and manageable assignments students can be engaged in when school has been cancelled. The goal is to minimize disruption to the academic progress caused by emergency school closures and to make emergency days as educationally productive and engaging as possible. The Emergency eLearning plan outlines specific responsibilities for teachers, staff, and students. This includes making the announcement of an Emergency eLearning Day no later than 5 A.M. the morning of the school closure. The announcement will be made through standard modes of communication used by the school district, including text messages, automated phone calls and social media. Teachers will have assignments posted or sent via email to the student no later than 8:00 A.M. on the eLearning Day. When possible, assignments will be posted ahead of the eLearning Day. Students will access their eLearning lesson through the teachers Google Classroom or will be sent from their Google Drive to the student’s school email. They may be required to turn in their assignment through Google Classroom, via email or submit to the teacher upon return</p>	<p>Instructors, supervised by Building Principals, Dana Hice DePugh and Heather Pyle (Rubino) Henry Krzeczowski, Jennifer Giordano</p>

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Phase II - Containment	Emergency Declaration from County, NJ CDC	Plan for upcoming field trips, competition, staff traveling for PD		Building Principals, Transportation Department
		Restrict non-instructional activities	Deploy technology to key personnel as directed, and requested through website. Principals are liaison to all building technology issues. Website monitoring for technology request and help desk requests.	IT Team, Gina Buzgo and Heather Pyle, supervised by Rick Hillman (Rubino) Gina Ramirez, supervised by Antoinette Gomes
	Emergency Declaration from County, NJ, CDC – Complete Lockdown	Ensure the cleaning services have a back-up action plan, cleaning as directed per local Department of Health guidelines		IT Team/Custodial, supervised by Rick Hillman
		Conference calls as needed, text messages to Administration, text invitations to join in conference call, meeting daily	Need to set up a conference call meeting (daily at 9:00 am and 6:00 pm) Daily Senior Administration conference calls 1:00 pm. Daily website message to school families.	Dr. Schneider to manage conference call sessions Senior Administrative Team Multiple avenues for conferencing: Skype, GoToMeeting, Google Hangout, as appropriate (Rubino) Antoinette Gomes and Resource Team
		Continue to deliver instruction by all means except face-to-face	Identify electronic means, all teacher lesson plans move to digital platform for long term, computer remote learning as per the eLearning Plan above, computer remote learning to be monitored by IT department.	Dana Hice DePugh, Heather Pyle, Building Principals, Instructors – student work packets distributed if possible (Rubino) Principal, VP and Instructors, student work packets distributed
		Technology equipment access team prepared to support faculty and students without internet via family cell phone, deployment of Chrome books	Prepare to support faculty/students without internet; Essential staff reports to buildings as assigned	IT Team and Custodial staff, supervised by Rick Hillman (Rubino) IT Team, Gina Ramirez, Custodial staff supervised by Rick Hillman
		IT creates a group for instructional support	Remote access	IT Team, supervised by Rick Hillman
		Payroll – establish processing protocol by 3/10/20	Direct Deposit	Deborah Donnelly, Deborah Arvanitis, Annmarie Ricci, and Heather Pyle
		Electronic Payments to vendors by 3/9/20	As directed by Deborah Donnelly	(MCTS) Barbara Paskewicz and (MCSSSD) Susan Muncie
		Update emergency contact lists		Senior Administration, Central Office Administration (MCTS, MCSSSD), (Rubino) Mary OBrian, Resource Team
Frequent communication with Association leadership		Dr. Schneider with (MCTS) Pat Schroeder and (MCSSSD) Leah Pray		

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		Essential personnel to have access to district buildings	<p><b>Mercer County Technical School District:</b>  <u>Buildings &amp; Grounds:</u>                      Donald Labowicz, Steve Harcher, Ranceford Byles, Dennis Juliano, John Allen, Joey Cruz, Dan Blazovic, Felix Rodriguez, Ed Atkins, Ruben Casillas, Joe Salzano, Esaw Coons, Tim Montague, Rick Hillman  <u>Information Technology:</u>                      Heather Pyle, Anthony Giovanetti, Colyn Thomas  <u>Business Office:</u>                      Deborah Donnelly, Lisa Flynn, Deborah Arvanitis, Barbra Paskewicz  <u>Superintendent Office:</u>                      Patti Michalchuk</p> <p><b>Mercer County Special Services School District:</b>  <u>Buildings &amp; Grounds:</u>                      Mike Lanzoni, Eugene Mascione, John Samojedny, Joe Lombardo, Abraham Krangar, Anthony Samuels, Mileva Ostojic, Milivoj Ostojic, Teddy Jackson, Pernel DeSouza, Kathy McDonald, Eliza Talkpa, Patrick Rhodes, Cenou Joseph, Bernadette Romelus, Jason Jones, Aubrey Dandy, Clarence Walker, Rick Hillman  <u>Information Technology:</u>                      Gina Buzgo, Rob McNichol, Piotr Suszko  <u>Business Office:</u>                      Deborah Donnelly, Udaya Batchu, Susan Muncie, Annmarie Ricci, Kathleen Zuccari  <u>Superintendent Office:</u>                      Amy Nemeth  <u>Transportation:</u>                      Jenn Freeman  <u>MCSSSD/MCTS Cafeteria:</u>                      Camille Guadiere, Sussana Rios</p>	
Phase III - Return	Lift of Emergency Declaration from CDC, NJ, County Emergency Operations	Cleaning, IT, Facilities – clean and sanitize the schools (2 -3 days)		Custodial staff, supervised by Rick Hillman
		Administrative Functions (1 day) – all full-time employees return to work	RoboCall (Rubino) Phone Chain	IT Team / Communications (Rubino) Administrative Team
		All instructional activities resume		Building Principals (Rubino) Principal and VP
		Non-instructional activities resume		Building Principals (Rubino) Principal and VP