

Good Day to the Oceanport School District Community:

This email is meant to provide information to members of the Oceanport School District regarding updates from both the NJ Governor's Office and the Oceanport Mayor's Office, as follows:

On Tuesday, March 16th, 2020, NJ Governor Phil Murphy signed an Executive Order, to include the following:

ALL pre-K through grade 12 schools (public, private, and parochial) and **ALL** colleges and universities will close effective Wednesday, March 18th until it's deemed by health officials to be safe for in-person classes to resume.

ALL non-essential and non-emergency travel in New Jersey is strongly discouraged between the hours of 8:00 PM AND 5:00 AM. This will remain in effect for the foreseeable future. The Governor indicates that people need to be home – and not out.

For this reason, the March 18th Meeting of the Oceanport Board of Education is CANCELLED.

Gatherings of 50+ are banned. Guidelines indicate that gatherings of 10+ are safer.

ALL movie theaters, gyms, casinos, and racetracks will close entirely until it is deemed safe for their reopening. Online gaming will continue.

ALL other non-essential retail, recreational, and entertainment businesses **MUST CLOSE** after 8:00 PM. During daytime hours, these businesses may remain open **ONLY** if they limit their occupancy to no more than 50 persons and adhere to social distancing guidelines.

During daytime hours, **ALL** bars and restaurants are closed for eat-in services. After 8:00 PM, these establishments may open for takeout and delivery services **ONLY**, until further notice.

Essential businesses which are necessary for the public's health, safety, and welfare – like supermarkets and grocery stores, pharmacies, medical offices, and gas stations – may remain open past 8:00 PM.

In Oceanport:

A Declaration of Emergency was released from the Office of the Mayor on Tuesday Evening, March 16th. On behalf of Mayor Coffey, please click here to read this declaration:

<https://www.oceanport.k12.nj.us/cms/lib/NJ01912851/Centricity/Domain/4/OP%20Declaration%20of%20State%20of%20Emergency.pdf>.

The District will pass along further information as it becomes available.

Thank you.