

OCEANPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
COVID-2019 DISTRICT EMERGENCY CLOSURE PLAN:

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Section 1: Online Educational Opportunities for Students:

Narrative: The Oceanport Public School District has developed an array of educational opportunities for students online for use by students and parents at home. The district has created a special host website to house these opportunities electronically, so that all parents and students districtwide can easily access online educational opportunities, as follows:

<https://www.oceanport.k12.nj.us/athome>

The District has also created a parent YouTube video to explain each feature of the website and how to access the website:

<https://youtu.be/rc4vJHmrPY4>

Educational Opportunities within the new “At-Home” web-page are distributed into three (3) categories:

1. **i-Ready:** i-Ready is an online program for reading and/or mathematics in Grades K-8 that will help determine the academic needs of each child, personalize their learning, and monitor progress throughout the school year. Students in Grades K-8 have already been assessed for i-Ready use, and will complete one-two (1-2) individualized reading lesson per day and one-two (1-2) individualized math lessons per day. Student Progress will be monitored on-line daily by teaching and administrative staff. Data Points from i-Ready will be included within K-8 Progress Monitoring in order for student progress to be continually assessed by the district.
2. **On-Line Resources for daily lessons in ELA/Writing, Science, Social Studies, Health, and more:** (Specific requirements in these areas can be found on the “At Home” webpage by Grade Level).
3. For Pre-K, PDF and paper resources have been shared manually (due to copyrights).

***Special Note:** Oceanport Teachers across the district K-8, have rallied to develop additional online lessons, enrichment activities and supplemental plans through Google Classroom and through other current platforms in order to keep this website fresh and alive for students. Should closure due to COVID-2019 run longer than anticipated, the “At-Home” website will be updated regularly, coordinated between teachers with assistance of the Oceanport Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction. Online “Google Classroom” plans and projects are scheduled to begin in full on March 23, 2020.

Section 2: Equitable Access to Technology:

Narrative: The Oceanport Public School District conducted online, in-person, and telephone surveys of parents districtwide, and students in grades 5-8 (at Maple Place Middle School). Through surveys, the district determined which families were in need of technology access. A sign-out plan for Chromebooks and chargers for home-use was developed. Principals and custodial staff coordinated to disinfect all Chromebooks on all carts district-wide.

On Monday, March 16th, 2020, Principals, Technology Coordinator, Security Guards, and additional ancillary staff organized a "Drive Through Pick-Up" of Chromebooks.

Any family who contacted the district or who attended Chromebook “Drive-Through” was accommodated. Close to 200 Chromebooks were distributed to district families and students through this protocol.

Families still in need of access may contact their building Principals for additional assistance:

Wolf Hill School Principal, Mr. Mark Maglione: mmaglione@oceanport.k12.nj.us

Maple Place School Principal, Mr. Matthew Howell: mhowell@oceanport.k12.nj.us

Section 3: Provision of Related Services (IEPs / 504 Plans)

Narrative: Due to limitations that may occur with regard to available staff for our students as a result of a Coronavirus Pandemic, the Oceanport School District will provide for alternative “Make-Up Sessions” for any students missing OT, PT, and Speech during a school closure. Proposed “Make-Up Sessions” will be scheduled during the summer ESY Program. Additionally, “Telehealth” PT Services have already been arranged and communicated.

In order to ensure that the District is compliant with NJ code and is maintaining the high standards, the following tasks have been completed ahead of the district’s first day of online learning (3/17/2020).

- All Out-of-District schools, parents of students attending Out-of-District, and transportation companies were contacted by the Oceanport Special Services Department.
 - All upcoming IEP/Eligibility/Re-Evaluation Meetings were postponed and parents were notified.
 - “Frequency and Duration” minutes for all students were mapped and charted by CST and OT/PT/Speech therapists. Maps and charts developed will be utilized to determine which students will require time to be made up during the summer months.
 - Team Members have ensured professional access to relevant records/data during telecommuting. Team Members will continue to monitor progress to the furthest extent possible for all students with IEPs/504’s during COVID-2019 Emergency Closure dates.
 - Speech/OT/PT/Behavioral/Social Skills activities, resources, and materials are in on-going development and will be posted to the district “At Home” website for parents to work on with students at home during COVID-2019 Emergency Closure dates.
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Section 4: Ensuring Nutritional Needs / Free and Reduced Lunch

Narrative: The Oceanport School District counts a total of forty-six (46) students currently eligible to receive Free and Reduced Lunch.

- Coordinating with food vendor Culinary Simplified, the district has developed a daily drive-through lunch pick up for students who qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch status to include: A daily choice of sandwiches; fresh vegetable; fresh fruit; and milk.

- All Free and Reduced lunch families were contacted to inform them of daily lunch pick-up at 29 Wolfhill Avenue, Oceanport, NJ 07757. Letters outlining information were also mailed to all Free and Reduced Lunch families on Monday, March 16, 2020.

In the event that exposures to COVID-2019 become to numerous to continue with Drive-Through Free and Reduced Lunch Plans:

- Should COVID-2019 exposures become too prohibitive for the Oceanport School District to continue to man the daily free and reduced lunch drive-through operation, the district will alternatively purchase Shoprite Gift Cards in the amount of \$40 each (a Reduced lunch costs \$4.00...this equates to a ten-day food supply through this process.)
- Parents of children requiring Free and Reduced Lunch services will be required to sign a waiver in order to receive their Shop Rite gift card, and must produce a Shoprite Receipt at closure of this process. The receipt must indicate that gift cards were spent on nutritious food options for Free and Reduced Lunch Students.
- Should it become necessary to implement the Shop Rite gift cards plan, the gift cards will be renewed every ten(10) days for families as needed, dependent upon the duration of COVID-2019 school closures.

Additional Incentive:

As an incentive, unused gift cards will be collected, and parents will receive a lunchtime credit for the unused balance going forward. Leftover gift cards returned to the District will be put to use in the Middle School Life Skills Program for Special Needs Students.

Section 5: Use of Emergency Closure Days:

Narrative: Oceanport School District was closed on Thursday, March 12; Friday, March 13; and Monday, March 16, 2020 due to health and safety concerns related to the national, state-wide, and local COVID-2019 Emergency. All Emergency Closure Days built into the Oceanport 2019-2020 School Calendar have now been expended.

The Oceanport District sought guidance from the New Jersey Department of Health; the Monmouth County Department of Health; the Oceanport District Physician; the Monmouth County Superintendent of Schools; the Oceanport Board Attorney of record; in consult with school administration, school nurses and the Oceanport Board of Education in order to determine the need and process for using Emergency Closure Days outlined.

Section 6: Sharing the COVID-2019 DISTRICT EMERGENCY CLOSURE PLAN with Stakeholders

- In compliance with NJDOE requirements, this plan was posted to the Oceanport District Website on March 19, 2020.
- Elements of the original draft to this plan were shared with Oceanport Staff, Oceanport Families, and the Oceanport Board of Education in district wide e-mail blasts, and through a variety of District Social Media Platforms, on-going, beginning Saturday, March 14, 2020.
- Elements of the original draft to this plan were also shared at all Oceanport Faculty Meetings held in district on March 10, 2020.