



Pablo Muñoz
Superintendent of Schools

April 7, 2020

Dear Students, Parents, and Staff:

First, thank you for supporting our students during this challenging time. I am grateful for families who have taken on new roles to support home-based instruction; for teachers and staff who are balancing the needs of their own families while maintaining their dedication to support their students; and for our students who remain steadfast in their desire to learn. I am humbled by the incredible work done across our city, and most especially by our front-line staff who ensure that breakfast and lunch remains available.

Second, I am writing to provide you with an update on the plans for home-based instruction.

Home-based instruction began for students on Thursday, March 19, 2020. In accordance with the directive issued by the New Jersey Department of Education on March 26, 2020, the district is planning to continue home-based instruction until Governor Murphy directs schools to reopen.

Spring Break will begin on Friday, April 10, 2020. There will be no instruction or educational services provided during Spring Break. However, specific schools will continue to serve as resource centers, and provide breakfast and lunch throughout the break.

Home-based instruction will continue when the district returns from Spring Break on Monday, April 20, 2020. For students in PreK through Grade 8, instructional packets for April 20 through May 8, 2020 are being mailed to your homes. If you do not receive a packet in the mail by Tuesday, April 21, 2020, please contact your child's homeroom teacher. The instructional information will be available at www.passaicschools.org for students and families beginning Thursday, April 16, 2020.

Thank you for being a part of our learning community. I wish you all health, safety, and strength.

Sincerely,
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