



## ROCKAWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Rockaway Borough families,

As we approach the long break next week as well as the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, I want to remind you of our concern with regard to engaging in travel to those states that are on New Jersey travel advisory list or to locations out of the country. In order to help limit the spread of COVID-19, Governor Murphy has issued a 14 day quarantine travel advisory. For your reference the list is updated each week on Tuesdays and can be accessed through the following link. Currently, there are 41 states on the list.

<https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/travel-and-transportation/which-states-are-on-the-travel-advisory-list-are-there-travel-restrictions-to-or-from-new-jersey#direct-link>

Our advice continues to be that we strongly suggest a 14 day quarantine period occur following travel based on the CDC and New Jersey guidelines. Considering that it is possible for students to attend classes virtually, we think that this is the best course of action to protect the health of other students and staff members as well. If you do travel, simply contact your building principal to inform them of the targeted dates and that child(ren) will be attending virtually during the quarantine period.

I also want to remind you that due the Governor's Executive Order #177, all Rockaway Borough School buildings will be closed on Tuesday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, Election Day, for in-person instruction. We will, however, take advantage of the day and conduct classes virtually, as well as modify our normal schedule for the week to best serve students. Please see the below schedule for a breakdown of each day. Also if for some reason parents are unable to change their personal schedules to accommodate the Monday change, students may attend classes virtually.

Monday 11/2	Cohorts A & C in-person, Cohort B virtual (Day #3)
Tuesday 11/3 (Election Day)	All students, teachers and staff virtual (Day #4)
Wednesday 11/4	Cohorts B & C in person, Cohort A virtual (day #5)
Thursday 11/5 & Friday 11/6	School closed for NJ Teachers' Convention

Please know how much we appreciate everyone's efforts that have allowed us to successfully open school and so far, keep our buildings open as well. As always, stay safe and do what you can to prevent the spread of the virus.

Sincerely yours.

Phyllis Alpaugh  
Superintendent