



Bayshore Jointure Commission The Shore Center

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Dear Shore Center Families,

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Our remote learning plan is in full swing and the only word I can use to describe the work of our entire school community is: AWE-INSPIRING! I could not be more proud of all of our students, families, and incredible staff for adapting so quickly to this new way of teaching and learning!

Unfortunately, it seems that we are all going to have to continue to learn in this new environment for some time. As I am sure you are all aware, Governor Murphy signed Executive Order 104 ordering all schools to close until the order is lifted. **Therefore, the Shore Center for Students with Autism will remain closed for students and the remote learning plan will continue until further notice.** Once we have received notification from the Governor's office that the Executive Order has been lifted, we will notify all families and resume normal instruction and operations.

Please remember that we are still following the school's approved calendar. That means that we will still be observing our Spring Break and students are not required to engage in any instruction or continue with our remote learning plan during our planned Spring Break of April 9 – April 17. If we are still required to remain closed, we will resume remote learning again on April 20, 2020.

Your child's teachers, therapists, counselors, nurse, BCBA and paraprofessionals will continue to plan for ongoing remote instruction and support. If additional traditional materials are needed for instruction, we will mail the materials to your homes or will arrange for pickup/drop-off of materials when possible. In the meantime, please continue to communicate with your child's learning team, the office staff and of course, Mrs. Jordan, Ms. Monteleone or Dr. Beams to clarify expectations. Please remember, students are required to engage in daily learning activities and those activities should be communicated to your child's teacher. This is how we take attendance and ensure that all students are meeting the modified requirements of our remote instruction.

I know that this is a very difficult time for all members of our school community, especially our students. But, we are a strong and resilient community and I know that by supporting one another we will get through this. Please, if there is anything that we can do to assist you and your families during this difficult time, please do not hesitate to contact me or your building leadership. Your health and wellness is our number one concern and we will do anything that we can to ensure that our entire Shore Center community has the support needed during these challenging days ahead.

Please stay healthy and take care of one another.

Warmest Regards,

Dr. Tara Beams
Acting Superintendent