

# EAST GREENWICH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Andrea Evans, Superintendent

Gregory Wilson, Business Administrator

August 31, 2022

Dear East Greenwich Township School District Staff and Families,

The East Greenwich Township School District eagerly awaits the return of our staff on Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> and the return of our students on Tuesday, September 6th. The promise of a new year, where we can support our students' growth as learners and citizens, is just a few days away! We look forward to our future together. Please find 2022-2023 school year information below.

## **Cafeteria Information**

Please click here to view a welcome letter from the cafeteria.

#### Calendar

Please click here to view the 2022-2023 district calendar.

## Dates to Remember

Date	Important Event
September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jeffrey Clark School
	Preschool Orientation (time assigned by teacher)
	Beginner Classroom Connections (time assigned by teacher)
September 6 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of School for Students
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	Early Dismissal for All Students (12:55pm)
	Jeffrey Clark Back to School Night
September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Early Dismissal for All Students (12:55pm)
	Samuel Mickle Back to School Night
October 10 <sup>th</sup>	School Closed to Students
	Staff In-Service Day

## **District STEAM Program**

The district is proud to implement a new STEAM program for all students, Beginners through Sixth Grade. This program supports our commitment to providing all students with enrichment opportunities. Please click <u>here</u> to learn more about the STEAM program.

## Health and Safety Information

We remain committed to the health and safety of our school community, and we are excited to begin this school year in a typical manner. Many of our COVID-19 health and safety protocols have been revised or eliminated due to widespread access to vaccinations and testing, as well as the removal of executive orders. Please find the 2022-2023 information below.



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- Contact Tracing
  - Contact tracing will be consistent with our spring 2022 practices. If there is a positive case in your student's classroom or bus, you will be notified via email.
- COVID-19 Exposure
  - In accordance with CDC guidance, if an individual is exposed to COVID -19, he or she can return to school by wearing a mask for 10 days after the exposure. It is recommended the exposed individual be tested on Day 5.
  - If an individual is exposed to COVID-19 and symptoms develop, please stay home until COVID- 19 test results are received.
- COVID -19 Illness
  - In accordance with CDC guidance, regardless of vaccination status, COVID-19 positive individuals should isolate from others.
  - If you test positive, stay home for at least 5 days from the day symptoms began.
- COVID-19 Symptoms
  - If an individual has COVID19-like symptoms, stay home until you receive COVID-19 test results.
    - If your results are positive, stay home for at least 5 days from the day symptoms began.
    - If your results are negative, you may return to school.
- District Communication
  - Weekly updates on COVID cases will be discontinued.
  - The district's COVID Case Tracker, found on our website, will be updated with positive cases.
- Mandated Testing for Unvaccinated Staff
  - New Jersey no longer requires weekly testing for unvaccinated staff, so the district's weekly testing program has been eliminated.
- Physical Distancing
  - Students are no longer required to sit with a sibling on the bus.
  - o In the cafeteria, students may sit in every available seat instead of every other seat.
  - $\circ$   $\;$  In the classroom, student desks may be organized in groups.
- Virtual Instruction
  - Virtual instruction has been eliminated for students and staff.

## **Playground Resurfacing Projects**

The playground resurfacing projects are complete, and all playgrounds are safe for students to enjoy when school begins.

## **Road Construction**

We have been advised that construction will be in progress on the roads leading to/from our campus when school begins. At times, this may impact traffic flow, so please be aware that there may be delays.



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# Summer Assignments

Summer assignment information can be found here.

# **Teacher Assignments**

Homeroom teacher assignments are located in the parent portal. If you need assistance accessing the parent portal, please contact the main office for assistance.

# **Transportation Information**

Please review the transportation updates below from Ann Marie Elliott, Transportation Coordinator. Mrs. Elliott can be reached at elliotta@eastgreenwich.k12.nj.us.

- Bus passes have been mailed. Please be sure to review your child's bus pass closely, as there have been changes in bus stops, and some stops have been reassigned to a different bus. These changes are due to changing student populations in some neighborhoods.
- Jeffrey Clark students must have a parent/guardian or Samuel Mickle sibling at the bus stop with them at pick up and drop off.
- Pick up and drop off times are approximate. Please be sure to have your child ready to board the bus 10 minutes prior to the scheduled pick up time. After a week or two, the pickup time will be consistent because the routine will be familiar to all.
- If there will be a significant delay in either pick up or drop off, it will be communicated to you via text message as soon as our contractor advises the district.

Sincerely,

Andrea Evans