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Dear Families,

The East Greenwich Township Special Education department is preparing for the possibility of an extended school closure in the event of a Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) contamination.

Many New Jersey school districts are being advised to create a plan for online learning which will be implemented in the event of an extended school closure. Online learning will look differently for each district and each grade and age level. Our students in the self-contained programs, preschool programs, beginners, 1st and 2nd grade will receive packets to work on in the event of a school closure. Our resource center students will participate using Google Classroom. The assignments will be prepared by their teacher and disseminated through Google Classroom.

Our related service specialists-- occupational therapist, physical therapist and speech and language therapists-- keep detailed records of all the students' mandated sessions. Any sessions that have to be made up will be done so either during the school year or during ESY programming.

Some of the students who receive speech and language therapy for articulation, fluency and/or language will receive packets for their therapy sessions. The packets will be sent home via email attachment through their related service therapist.

As you are aware, the special education department is mandated to follow the New Jersey Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 6A:14). We will adhere to our timelines to the best of our ability. If we are closed for an extended amount of time, we will conduct some of our meetings via Google Hangouts Meet. Google Hangouts Meet is HIPPA compliant. You can visit Hangout Meet at <https://meet.google.com/> on the PC or download the app called Hangouts Meet by Google on the mobile app stores. Attached to this letter are instructions on how to access Google Hangout Meet. Please note, this will be done only if all parties mutually agree. You may also consider using this platform with the related therapist and case managers if you have any questions.

Some of our related therapists use DOJO. You can continue to use DOJO to communicate with them as well. Email will also be available in the event you have questions and/or concerns.

Stay healthy,

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