



## BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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To all BES families,

As you may know, Governor Murphy took additional actions yesterday to help slow the spread of the coronavirus. These changes affect us all however, the impact on schools is of great concern. The Governor has stated:

“All pre-K through grade 12 schools (public, private, and parochial) and all colleges and universities will close effective Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> **until its deemed by health officials to be safe for in-person classes to resume.**” We do not know how long our school may be closed. The home instruction packets sent home provide appropriate work for our students up to spring break. If school is not re-opened by then, a plan to distribute additional work will be provided.

Reminder: Free and reduced lunch families can pick up their food at BES daily from 11 AM to 12 noon at the gym lobby doors.

The safety of all staff and students remains a priority. Please continue to review our social media outlets for any updates; District Website, Face Book page, and our App. Emergent situations may also call for the use of our “one call system” as well.

This COVID-19 outbreak has created a fluid situation as further cases continue to be identified. The safety of all staff and students remains paramount so our plans may change rapidly in response to official directions. In the meantime, follow all the safety directions you have already received, stay at home as much as possible, be well and stay safe!

Sincerely,

Mark Saalfield, Superintendent