The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools

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Dear SPF Community,

The start of a new school year is upon us! I am thankful for the strides our school community has made to prepare for a safe return to full-time, in-person instruction for our students that looks as normal as possible while implementing safety protocols to keep COVID-19 at bay. Our district has the experience we gained last year which puts us on a firmer footing to navigate hurdles that come our way.

I am strengthened by the sounds of the SPFHS Marching Band practicing on the fields and watching student athletes already competing in fall sports. We continue to look ahead as more opportunities for normalcy return, hot lunches becoming available to our students, and elementary classes finding more freedom for social opportunities through play and recess.

At this time, families will need to annually complete only one Health Attestation Form in PowerSchool per student. The form can be found by logging into PowerSchool via the parent portal and clicking on Forms. Families then consent to the signature and enter your name.

The deadline for this one-time Attestation form is by the start of the school day on Thursday, September 9th.

We have survived what I hope is the worst part of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the treacherous twists and turns of Tropical Storm Ida. Most of our schools sustained minimal damage from the storm, while the High School and Park Middle School will have to undergo renovations in various locations.

My heart goes out to all those that were affected by the storm. If you and your family have been displaced by the storm and are in need of any assistance, however minor, please reach out to my office directly at (908) 232-6161 ext. 41102 or 41103, so we can connect you with the right resource.

Our whole school community is looking forward to welcoming our students back! Thank you for your partnership and flexibility as we move forward together.

Sincerely,

Dr. Joan Mast

Superintendent of Schools