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*Superintendent*

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Dear School Family,

With great concern for the health and safety of all members of our MCTS family, and an abundance of caution, this letter is to inform you that MCTS will NOT be opening on January 19th as initially planned. Reopening is now planned for Monday, April 19, 2021. We understand the disappointment associated with this news. Please understand that we will continue to monitor local health data. Please go to our district website at [www.mcts.edu](http://www.mcts.edu) for additional information.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We encourage parents and students to continue following the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention promoted safeguards, such as:

- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering while in school; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for symptoms.

As always, we appreciate our community's support and cooperation. You can assist us by remaining vigilant but sensible in your approach to dealing with this health concern. Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to contact your building principals. Below are some resources that might be helpful.

#### **RESOURCES**

- a. NJDOH COVID-19 Information for Communities and the General Public: [https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019\\_community.shtml](https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019_community.shtml)
- b. Get the Facts about Coronavirus: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- c. Symptoms of COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>
- d. Testing: <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/testing> or <http://www.mercercounty.org/departments/division-of-public-health/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/covid-19-testing>
- e. How to Protect Yourself: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>
- f. What to Do if You Are Sick: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>

Sincerely,



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