

A Message from the Spackenkill Superintendent

March 17, 2020

Dear Spackenkill Families,



Effective Thursday, March 19th, through next Friday, March 27th, all schools in the district will be closed to the public. There will be limited staffing for essential functions such as food service and work with our contractors. Tomorrow, March 18th, from 8:30 to 10:30 am, is the last day for the next week and a half that students and families will have access to the school to pick up anything that is essential to remote education. Please call your building beforehand to let them know that you are coming.

In addition, since I do not have clarity on whether the executive decree that closed our schools will be continued past next Friday, March 27th, I am moving up the scheduled spring recess from April 6 through 13th to **March 27th through April 3rd. As of now, schools will reopen on Monday, April 6th. However, this situation could change.** I realize that April 10th is Good Friday. If you observe Good Friday, please know that it will be accepted as a legal absence.

In addition, if any family experiences a critical or emergency need, you may contact your building principal at the following email address:

Erik Lynch, Nassau Elementary Principal: spartanstrongnes@sufsdny.org

John Farrell, Hagan Elementary Principal: spartanstronghes@sufsdny.org

Dan Doherty, Todd Middle School Principal: spartanstrongtms@sufsdny.org

Steve Malkischer, Spackenkill High School Principal: spartanstrongshs@sufsdny.org

Principals will be reading their email daily.

In addition, the District Office has set up a similar emergency email address spartanstrongdo@sufsdny.org

I learned today that the Health Department will no longer inform school districts if there are confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our school community.

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Thank you for your continued understanding as we respond to ever-changing events. We will notify you if there are any further developments. I do anticipate that it is likely that there will be further closures of our school district based on governmental orders and I will update you as I receive their guidance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Villanti". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

Mark Villanti, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools