



## College Achieve Paterson Charter School

March 27, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians of the College Achieve Community:

Subsequent to the most recent announcement by Governor Murphy, College Achieve Paterson Charter School will remain closed due to the national Coronavirus Pandemic. ***School will be closed until further notice in accordance with this mandate. Children should stay home until directed to return.*** The closure affects all programming at the school, including before-and after-school activities, all athletic and extracurricular practices and competitions, and weekend events. In order to ensure student learning at the highest level possible, we will continue implementation of our digital learning platforms. These learning platforms are accessible via laptops, PCs, tablets and smart phones.

The Coronavirus is thought to be spread via person-to-person contact through contaminated air droplets from coughing and sneezing by an infected person. The symptoms of coronavirus are similar to the regular seasonal influenza and include fever, lethargy, lack of appetite, and coughing. Some people with Coronavirus have reported additional symptoms, such as runny nose, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. In some situations, the virus can develop into pneumonia.

This is a hard time for our nation, and we wish a speedy recovery for all who are ill. As with controlling the spread of other viruses, we urge you to stay away from large groups of people as much as possible. Avoid shopping malls, movie theaters, community centers and other locations where large groups gather. Additionally, speak to your child about the following prevention measures:

- Wash your hands regularly, especially after using the restroom and before preparing or consuming food. Use soap and hot water washing for 20 seconds, including fingertips.
- Always cough or sneeze into a tissue, then throw the tissue away. If you don't have a tissue, cough/sneeze into your arm.
- Avoid touching your eyes, mouth and nose.

Individuals who need medical care should call their medical provider to report their illness prior to seeking care at a clinic, physician's office or hospital. Parents of students exhibiting flu-like symptoms or staff exhibiting flu-like symptoms are asked to contact the Passaic County Health Department at (973) 881-4396.

Sincerely,

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