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Dear Lindenhurst Community:

Next week, Gov. Cuomo will determine whether or not students in New York will be allowed to return to school in September. His guidelines state that schools in Phase IV regions, such as Long Island, can reopen if the daily infection rate remains below 5% using a 14-day average. If the regional infection rate rises over 9 percent after August 1, using a 7-day average, schools will close.

The state tasked all public school districts to provide reopening plans to accommodate in-person reopening, a hybrid model of in-person and remote learning, and an exclusively remote learning model.

The district promptly established 11 committees to cover all of the pertinent district areas in preparation for re-entry this fall. Upon receiving approximately 145 pages of state guidelines on July 15, those committees have worked tirelessly to establish district plans. In order to properly ensure the health and safety of our students and staff and to successfully meet the state requirements outlined, the district has filed for an extension on the original July 31 deadline. The request was approved, and the district now has until August 7 to submit its reopening plans.

Once submitted, all information regarding the district's reopening plan will be shared with the community via Parentsquare. If you have not yet registered for the Parentsquare communication platform, I strongly encourage you to do so, so as not to miss any crucial information. Your activation information has been resent to you via the contact information you have provided through eSchool. If you are unsure of the contact preference you have selected, you can revisit the information using the eSchool parent portal account. Disregard that message if you have already registered for Parentsquare.

Additionally, a "School Reopening" webpage has been created and is accessible from the homepage of each district school's website.

I understand as a parent myself how challenging this has been for everyone involved. I would like nothing more than to welcome you all back for the start of another amazing school year filled with the comfort of the familiar, however, we are living through unprecedented circumstances and I appreciate your patience and understanding as we navigate these uncharted territories.

I will continue to keep you abreast of new information and look forward to the time when this is all behind us.

Sincerely,

Daniel Giordano
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