## GLEN ROCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Glen Rock Parents,

As you are aware, with the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday weekend on November 26-27, 2020, parents are reminded that New Jersey's <u>Travel Advisory</u> remains in effect.

For families that intend to travel to a state on the list during these recesses/school closures, their children will be required to quarantine for 14 days upon returning to New Jersey. Please note that this advisory does not apply to individuals who passed through a designated state for a period of limited duration (i.e. less than 24 hours) through the course of travel.

We also updated our daily COVID-19 questionnaire, effective today, Friday, November 20, 2020 to make the question that your child has/has not "traveled to an area of high community transmission" **required** so our nurses are aware of your child's travel quarantine.

Grade 6-12 students who are quarantining will attend school virtually. AM/PM K-5 students who are quarantining will complete asynchronous work assigned on Schoology from their classroom teacher and attend their specials virtually. Parents should contact their child's teacher or principal should they have questions regarding instruction during quarantine.

As the transmission rate of COVID-19 has increased in New Jersey and our surrounding states, the regional governments strongly discourage non-essential travel to neighboring states. Governor Murphy's <u>Executive Order 196</u> further restricts indoor gatherings to a limit of 10 people, and he is urging families to "keep their Thanksgiving plans as small as possible because we know that indoor gatherings and homes are particularly dangerous places for COVID-19 to spread."

Clearly, these are unprecedented times. Our goal remains the same - to keep our schools open for in-person instruction while ensuring a safe and healthy environment for students and staff. As such, I remind parents of their civic duty and moral responsibility to adhere to Governor Murphy's travel restrictions and inform your child's principal accordingly. We all must act together to achieve this goal of safely keeping our schools open. On behalf of the Board of Education, we appreciate everyone's efforts in following state and health department guidelines in order to stop and limit the spread of COVID-19.

We are Glen Rock Schools!

Sincerely,

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