



Hillcrest Middle School

530 Daniels Farm Road · Trumbull, CT 06611

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September 16th, 2020

Dear Parent(s)/Guardians,

I hope all of you and your children are doing well. As Dr. Semmel shared in his most recent communication, Hillcrest will be closed to all students through Wednesday September 30th. Students in Cohort B may re-enter the building on Thursday October 1st.¹ This decision was not made lightly, and was the result of careful and thorough contact tracing completed by the Trumbull Nursing Department. We are very grateful for their help and support.

Students will be following the same schedule we use for temporary remote learning. That schedule can be found on the second page of this letter. Teachers will be utilizing Google classroom to provide instruction to your children. The staff is committed to continuing the scope and sequence of their curriculum as we go through this temporary remote learning period together. We ask that students make every effort to log in to their classrooms on time, and to exhibit SOARRing behaviors for remote learning (found on page 3 of this letter).

I will record daily announcements for students and parents to provide guidance and updates on our current situation, and on remote learning. Just as we did in the spring, this will act as our regular communication between the school and your family. I know that many families want our students to receive as much in person instruction as possible. I share that sentiment, and assure you that we are working hard to get our students back in the building as soon as possible. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

Mr. Bryan Rickert
Principal

¹ The planned iReady math diagnostic that was to begin September 17th will now commence on October 1st.



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Remote Learning Schedule

7:35-7:40	Announcements
7:40-8:26	Period 1
8:30-9:16	Period 2
9:20-10:06	Period 3
10:10-10:56	Period 4
11:00-11:46	Period 5
11:50-12:20	Lunch
12:20-1:06	Period 6
1:10-1:56	Period 7
2:00-2:30	Flex (SSR, intervention, etc)



PBIS – Distance Learning/Virtual Meetings Expectations

**Teachers may establish additional expectations and norms for each classroom*

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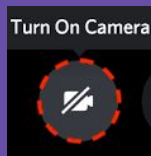
Safety



- Only the teacher may record
- Protect your privacy/respect the privacy of your classmates
- No screenshots/do not share personal information
- Sharing of content and educational materials should be with classmates and teacher only

O

Ownership



- Turn on your camera for attendance and participation (notify the teacher if reasons exist where there is a preference to stay off camera)
- Mute your microphone upon arrival
- Be in control of your own behavior

A

Attitude



- Be an active participant
- Raise your hand to speak or use type questions in the chat box, promote positivity and kindness
- Contribute in breakout rooms

R

Respect



- Set up in a quiet space
- Display a “distraction-free” background
- Follow all school/class rules and expectations
- Use appropriate language
- Respect individual ideas and differences

R

Responsibility



- Come prepared with your computer charged
- Arrive on time
- Avoid having other devices on or additional programs/tabs open (unless permission has been granted)