Dear Parents of Students with Disabilities,

You may be aware of the District’s Action Plan for Continuity of Learning. There are special considerations that apply to students with disabilities that may require clarification. The following information is meant to clarify some of those areas.

The district’s continuity of learning plan focuses on enrichment and reinforcement for all students, including those with disabilities, during the Coronavirus related school closure. This may change should the closure be extended.

**Materials & Instruction**

For students at Barclay, materials have been prepared and were sent home on Friday, March 13, 2020. If you did not receive a packet, they are available for pick up at Barclay this week.

For students in Kindergarten through 5th grade, students were sent home with a packet of individualized instructional materials. Each child’s packet includes activities and materials that align with his/her IEP goals and objectives. Upper elementary children may also have online learning opportunities through Google Classroom. Please check with your child’s teacher regarding this option.

For students in Grades 6-12, instruction will be delivered through a variety of platforms, including hard copies of materials, online resources, student and staff email, teacher websites, and access to modules such as Google Classroom.

If your student receives related services, activities have been included in the packets that were sent home. If you did not receive a packet for your child, please contact the therapist or the case manager. Additionally, therapists will provide check-ins with parents to clarify questions, concerns or activities provided in the packets. You should expect your child’s therapist to contact you directly.

Where necessary, IEP modifications and accommodations will be provided to students through online assignments and/or hard copies of instructional materials.

For students who receive counseling services through their IEPs, the New Jersey Department of Education prohibits tele-practice for counseling services. The service provider will contact you to check-in or consult, but will not provide direct counseling.
IEP Meetings
All IEP team meetings will continue online via Google Meet. If you have a meeting that is already scheduled it will continue as planned. You will receive an email invitation via Google Meet. If you have a Google account you will click the link in the email. If you do not have a Google account you may call in using a telephone. We encourage you to maintain an open line of communication with your child’s case manager during this period of online learning.

Students Placed Out of District
The Out of District school will provide packets or an online platform for your child, dependent upon the school’s own continuity plan. Your child’s case manager will remain available to communicate with you during this closure.

If you have any questions about this clarification, then please contact the Department of Student Services directly.

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