



Glen Rock High School



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Dear Parents and Students,

We are receiving some concerns regarding Glen Rock High School's plan for virtual learning. As our teachers continue to prepare for their upcoming lessons, beginning on Tuesday, I am writing to dispel some misinformation that has come to my attention. Our intent is to provide as much **normalcy** as possible for our students and teachers during this stressful time. By no means, do we envision that students will be behind a computer screen for an entire school day (seven hours), as some have claimed! With our rotating schedule, each student has an hour for lunch and an hour for Physical Education. Students with Option have a third hour. We have encouraged our teachers to use creativity in their lessons, which will include activities away from electronics, such as reading, discussion, research, etc. We certainly envision natural breaks throughout the day; in fact, we encourage it!

We realize that schools in our own district and in Bergen County have opted for a half-day schedule. We are sure that these schools have decided what is best for them. Our decision process is what is best for us presently. We are aware that this is an ever-changing situation. We believe our Governor will be holding a press conference later today, which may provide further information and direction for New Jersey schools. We will use this information and feedback from our students and teachers to adjust our current plan that we deem in the best interests of our students and teachers.

Please know that we have all worked as quickly and as best as we could, as soon as the reality of school closures arose. This is new territory for all of us and your patience throughout the process is essential. As with any new endeavor, we will analyze and make any adjustments that we deem appropriate. We ask for your understanding and cooperation during this time. Please know that we are all doing our best while maintaining our own balance between our professional and personal lives.

Sincerely,

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