

GLASSBORO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GLASSBORO, NEW JERSEY

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FROM THE
CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
Dr. Robert Preston

October 14, 2020

I. GLASSBORO ALTERNATIVE EVENING HIGH SCHOOL
Denise Barr, Head Teacher

As of September 30, 2020, there are nine students enrolled in the Alternative Evening High School. Five students have an IEP. Two students need counseling per IEP. Administrative staff worked with GHS administration to develop a full remote schedule as well as a hybrid schedule for students. Last semester a first draft of a handbook for the AEHS program was submitted awaiting further directions. During this remote learning time, a nightly Webex meeting room has been established where students can stop in for assistance. There is decreased staffing due to working remotely with a plan to increase the number of teachers on each night to a minimum of 2 (if enrollment is under 10). The staff has been in contact with students to continue to support them through the Covid-19 remote learning days. There continues to be errors with student enrollment in the proper courses in AEHS and PowerSchool. Mrs. Barr & Mr. Hemmes are hoping to reach out to Mrs. Williams to get this concern straightened out and are awaiting a response.

II. STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS

A. English As A Second Language
Rona Johnson: ESL Teacher Pre-K – 2nd Grade

B. Title I - Basic Skills Improvement Program

BSI Teachers will be assigned and approved at the October BOE meeting.

III. CURRICULUM

A. Field Trips

Field trips for the month September 2020: none

DATE	SCHOOL	TO

B. Curriculum Committees:

The following curriculum committees met during the month of September 2020:
District Nurses Committee

DISTRICT NURSE MEETING Tuesday, September 29, 2020

Meeting Participants: Donna Begolly, Erin Perewiznyk, Kathee Straube, Marian Dunn

QSAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Send report information to Donna Begolly by October 5, 2020• Will try to do the best we can with information from Rodgers School. Limited information available.
Rodgers Nurse	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plan is that Christa Taylor will work as long-term sub, once schools open.• Attempting to review records of new registrants, but not getting notified of new registrants. Working on creating health cards for new registrants. Some with no immunization records submitted at time of registration, so necessary to try and get information from NJIIS website.• Will need review of current kindergarten records, as there are additional immunization requirements for kindergarten that are not required for pre-kindergarten. Donna and Marian will try to spend a few days there to go through records and communicate with parents• Pre-kindergarten students require flu vaccine by December 31, 2020. Will talk to Principal to be sure this gets communicated.• Previous nurse laptop was not backed-up prior to being turned in. Not sure of status of desktop files
HEPA filtration systems and sneeze guards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joan Mannino has placed order for sneeze guards• Order has been put into system for HEPA filtrations systems for nurses' offices and isolation rooms. These are highly important to help prevent spread of airborne bacteria, virus, allergens, droplets.• Minimal ordering options due to items "out of stock" with many vendors.• Systems ordered pick up smallest micron germs and allergens• Awaiting approval. COVID-19 purchase
Supply and AED budgets	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue to order supplies as needed.
COVID positive recording and record- keeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of process to go through when staff member reports COVID- positive. Very time-consuming process, with multiple phone calls and documentation to be completed. Will be even more difficult when students in building

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires notification to GCHD and directives from them. • Requires communication to staff member(s) related to anticipated return to work date • Requires gathering information about possible close contacts in school setting and communication to these persons while maintaining staff confidentiality. • Continue to follow guidelines from NJDOH, though not all scenarios are present in directives • Encourage collaboration among school nurses to ensure following proper directive, as it can be confusing and difficult • Use calendar to track dates and CDC publication “When To Quarantine” (thanks Donna) provides a very helpful, visual tool to count days for quarantine and return to work. • Document all communications with involved staff on a record in your office • Per GCHD- if someone is a household contact of someone with COVID-19, but then also tests positive themselves, we use the date of positive test date to calculate return to work date, as opposed to household close contact date. This is typically 10 days from positive test date if other criteria are met.
School Closure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to A. Jones, GCHD- it would only be necessary to close down a school if there are two or more cases identified in a school building within 14 days that occur across multiple classrooms and a clear connection between cases or to a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 cannot be identified. In other words, they cannot trace back where the cases originated. There would be a concern in this situation, for a possible asymptomatic person in the building.
Potential Exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No specific directive in NJDOH directive for someone who is a close contact to someone with symptoms of COVID-19, except for High Risk category. We will continue to look at these cases individually and exclude from school as deemed necessary, erring on side of caution
Nurse exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to A. Jones, GCHD- school nurses who have exposure to COVID-19, follow directives from CDC for healthcare providers.
Workman Comp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workman’s comp and other questions related to COVID-19 and inability to work, should be directed to Shelby Gandy, HR.
Tuberculosis report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not sure if date will be pushed back by state • Donna will reach out to Shelby Gandy, HR, to let her know

	that we will be looking to gather this information in near future, should report be needed.
Sub Nurse Concern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pool of active sub nurses has dwindled. At present time, we have one sub nurse who is regularly available and a few more who are available on a rare occasion and never at the last minute • Communicated concern to Dr. Silverstein. Potential concern for having a school building without a nurse, which is problematic at any time, but a more pressing concern during a Pandemic.

Meeting time 8:30 am to 10:00 am. Next meeting date will be decided at a later date.

Submitted by: Marian Dunn, R.N., 9-29-20

IV. **PERSONNEL**

A. **New Staff Members**

The following staff members were hired or transferred to another position during the month of September: none

Vacancies

ELA/Social Studies Supervisor
5th Grade Teacher: Bowe, LTS
Elementary Computer Teacher: Bullock
Special Ed/Inclusion Teacher: Bullock
Elementary Music: Bullock, LTS

B. **Substitute Teachers**

From this point on all potential Substitutes are being referred to ESS/Source4Teachers.

V. **MISCELLANEOUS**