



# Hopatcong Borough Schools

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**Learning Today. Leading Tomorrow.**

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Dear Hopatcong Community,

I hope that you have all enjoyed this sunny weather this summer and are ready to get back into the swing of school! We are all eagerly looking forward to seeing your children on Tuesday, September 6! In preparation for the start of the year please be reminded of the following important announcements:

**School Times:**

This is being shared as a reminder, but remains the same as the previous communication back sent out last month:

Hopatcong High School	Hopatcong Middle School	Tulsa Trail School	Durban Ave School
Start: 7:20 AM	Start: 7:55 AM	Start: 8:25 AM	Start: 8:40 AM
End: 1:55 PM	End: 2:25 PM	End: 2:55 PM	End: 3:10 PM

**COVID Protocols:**

While we remain “mask optional” for students and staff, and while we will continue to benefit from the air filtration systems and COVID mitigation measures we have put in place over the last 2+ years, there are several important updates:

- 1) We are no longer *contact tracing*.
- 2) Students will not be required to quarantine if they’ve been exposed, regardless of vaccination status.
- 3) Students who have COVID should remain home for the first 5 days and then may return on Day 6 if they wear a mask through Day 10.
- 4) Students will no longer receive virtual instruction while isolating or quarantining due to COVID. Students may receive alternate assignments and work will be made up on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the child’s teacher.

**State of the Schools:**

We will be having a State of the Schools address tomorrow at 6 pm in the HS Cafeteria. I will be there to present new district initiatives and *good news* alongside our administration team. I hope to see some of you there.

Thanks and enjoy the last few days of summer!

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