



Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen

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Constance D. Evelyn, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen Community,

I hope this letter finds everyone in good spirits and health. Our district continues to be engaged in work that promotes our responsiveness as news about regulations and expectations unfold relative to extended school closures in New York State.

Governor's Executive Order – School Closures Extended through End of June 2020

In his daily briefing last week, Governor Cuomo made the decision to extend the statewide closure of schools for the remainder of the academic year in New York State due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We continue to enhance the interactivity and scheduling of our *Learn At Home Program* to be responsive to the needs of our students and families. If you have questions and or concerns, it will continue to be important for you to reach out to your child's teacher and/or principal.

June 9th Budget Vote & Board Elections

The Budget Vote and Board Elections is scheduled for June 9, 2020 throughout the state of New York. Therefore, we have moved the date for our Budget Hearing to May 27th at 6pm. We will be sure to send you more information about how to access the Budget Hearing as we get closer to this date. All voting by qualified voters will be by absentee ballot only- there will be no -n-person voting. Absentee ballots and postage-paid return envelopes will be mailed to all qualified voters prior to the vote date. Ballots must be received by the District no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9., 2020 to be valid and counted. Please check our website for more information regarding Board Elections.

Deadline Extended for Submission of Requested Student Non-Public Transportation

Pursuant to the Executive Orders issued by the Governor for the COVID-19 crisis, the deadline for school district submission of requested student non-public transportation runs has been extended. Please [click on this link](#) to complete your application by May 11, 2020 by 12:00pm to ensure that we can meet the new deadline imposed by this order.

Childcare Prioritizing First Responder and Essential Worker Families

The childcare program prioritizing first responder and essential worker families will continue at no charge a result of the Governor's Executive Order regarding this issue.

Enrollment is still limited to those that work in one of [these](#) industries. The camp is held Monday through Friday from 8am to 5 pm at the Willow Road Elementary School. If you have questions or would like to register your child, please email Kathleen Rainsbottom, the Right At School Area Manager, at kathleen.rainsbottom@rightatschool.com or call her at (516) 675-1071. Mrs. Rainsbottom will then follow up with the direct link to register.

We will continue to work to be responsive to our school community. Thank you for the feedback you have provided to help guide our work.

Stay safe and be well.

Very truly yours,

Constance D. Evelyn

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