

Pleasantville Public Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians

At its meeting on April 01, 2021, the PBOE voted to approve the Superintendent's recommendation that **all students will continue virtual learning** until the end of this school year on June 17, 2021.

Additionally, Dr. Chestnut-Lee announced an exciting new opportunity that will be available to all Pleasantville Public School students in grades K-12. Summer School will be <u>in-person</u>, offered from July 6, 2021, to August 5, 2021, from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm Monday through Thursday at the following locations: South Main Street School, Pleasantville Middle School, and Pleasantville High School.

Our staff has been looking at the current research on what is termed the "summer loss in learning," and the findings are pretty convincing.

Research indicates the following:

- All young people experience learning losses when they do not engage in educational activities during the summer.
- On average, students lose approximately 2.6 months of grade-level equivalency in mathematical computation skills over the summer months.
- Some students can lose about two months of reading achievement.

If we are going to keep pace globally, our students need to be engaged academically over the summer months. The program's goal is to have students work on math, language arts, and writing skill-based activities to keep sharp for the upcoming school year.

On March 31, 2021, a letter was sent to all families enclosing a form to indicate whether your child(ren) will be attending Summer School.

Thank you.

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