



Superintendent's Update

June 10, 2020

Good Evening Newport Parents, Teachers, Staff, and Community,

Today Governor Raimondo and Commissioner Infante-Green announced a statewide school calendar for RI Public Schools and intentions for reopening schools in the fall. The latest news is the goal for re-opening our schools is to have all our students in person full time beginning on August 31st. The Newport School Department is intent on reopening in the fall, and we will be in close contact with the RI Dept. of Education (RIDE) and RI Department of Health (RIDOH) in our work to reach this goal. In the coming weeks Newport Public Schools will be developing re-entry plans for Newport and adjusting these plans as the guidelines and information come forward from RIDE and RIDOH.

As we wind down the school year we will continue to keep you informed regularly and throughout the summer months as we fine tune our plans and seek your input. Beginning July 1 we will set up a special Summer Communication website, and use social media to post updates, alerts, and information about our reopening plans for August 31.

I know this will be a school year all of us will remember. As we move toward August 31, I suspect our reopening will be one as well. Please know everyone's health and safety is our number one priority and we will continue to be the priority to drive how we reopen and in all our decision making.

I want to thank everyone too for all their efforts in supporting our children throughout this DL experience. It was a true team effort showing how great our community is when we work together. Thank you parents, students, teachers, and staff!

Enjoy the summer months and look for our new Summer Communications website on July 1.

Happy Summer!
Colleen Burns Jermain