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Executive Director / Superintendent

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Dear Students, Parent/Guardians, Staff, School Districts and Transportation Companies,

This letter is to inform you that Garfield Park Academy plans to remain on the full remote learning schedule until Friday, January 15th, 2021. Our current plan is to return to the hybrid/remote schedule on Tuesday, January 19th, 2021 following the observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Throughout the COVID-19 response Garfield Park Academy has been coordinating with public health officials and following Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), state and local health department guidance in order to ensure the health and safety of our community. The school's decision to continue full remote instruction for an additional week is made in recognition of rising new COVID-19 case counts and infection rates statewide and especially in nearby New Jersey counties during and following the holidays, and with the well being of our students, their families, and our staff a priority.

We're confident that our robust and comprehensive remote learning program will continue to meet the individual academic and therapeutic needs of each of our students.

As always we appreciate our community's support and cooperation. Our shared experience addressing the COVID-19 health response has taught us that we can keep one another safe, and make a difference in our families and communities.

During this full remote instruction period we encourage parents, students and staff to continue following CDC recommendations and safeguards, and adhere to New Jersey's statewide restrictions as they are adopted. We especially encourage you to be cautious and to protect yourselves, your families, and the wider community.

Please also note: Our 3rd marking period survey results are in and we will be able to continue the 4 day (Monday - Thursday) in person hybrid program (and remote for all on Fridays) for the 3rd marking period.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Lance Clark at 609-877-4111, extension 283 or School Nurse Jane St. John at extension 233.

Sincerely,

Dr. Steven Morse,
Executive Director/Superintendent

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