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Dear Paramus Community,

For many of us, the restrictions we experienced this past year have provided just a small glimpse into the types of lives we would be leading were it not for the courage and selflessness of those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. Therefore, as we enjoy time with friends and family on this Memorial Day, I hope we all take the opportunity to remember and honor those who bravely gave their lives to ensure our continued freedoms.

Ahead of tomorrow, please carefully review the below important reminders regarding updated health and safety protocols:

- 1. The use of desk shields will no longer be a required component of our protocols. Starting tomorrow, high school students do not need to bring their desk shields with them to school. Also, this week our custodial staff will continue working on removing the shields mounted to the desks and tables at the elementary/middle schools. Desk shields will be used at the elementary level during indoor lunch times only.
- 2. The Paramus Community Connections website now includes an Extreme Outdoor Heat Days page. At the beginning of each week, days that are forecast to have temperatures excessive enough to meet the "extreme heat" exception to Governor Murphy's outdoor mask mandates will be identified on that page. On such days, students and staff will not be required to wear masks while outdoors and while six feet of social distance can be maintained. Of course, individuals will have the option to continue wearing masks outdoors on those days if they choose.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support and collaboration.

Sincerely,

Sean Adams

Superintendent of Schools