

BOLTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

March 13, 2020

Dear Parents and Staff,

It is very important during this health crisis that we remember to talk to our children about the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). As adults, we can play an important role in helping children make sense of what they hear in a way that is honest, accurate, and minimizes anxiety or fear.

The resources below may be helpful when talking to your children about COVID-19.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/talking-with-children.html>

[Talking to Your Child About Coronavirus](#)

[Helping Kids Manage Anxiety around the Corona Virus \(Expert Videos\)](#)

[Mental Health and Coping During COVID-19](#)

In our effort to provide supplemental learning for our students during this closure our staff has put together a host of resources for parents and students to access. For our BCS students and parents you will find the link to these resources on the BCS website homepage or at <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tLiEPihXpphCTBd4UOGk93D8EP5CWU8jEOGp6hosaiY/edit>. Our BHS students are encouraged to frequently check their Google classrooms for information and materials from their classroom teachers.

Please be advised that the offices at the Bolton Public Schools will be closed on Monday, March 16th and Tuesday, March 17th for a deep cleaning. On Wednesday, March 18th, the offices at the Bolton Public Schools will re-open to essential administrative staff and they will be able to assist you by email and phone. The Bolton Public Schools will be closed to the public until further notice.

In addition, attached please find a letter from First Selectman Sandy Pierog regarding the closing of town facilities to the public until further notice as well as a Public Health & Civil Preparedness Emergency Declaration for the Town of Bolton.

I will continue to provide updates and information as it becomes available. I hope you find these updates helpful.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding during this difficult time.

Warm regards,

Kristin B. Heckt
Superintendent of Schools