



# Audubon Public School District

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Dear Audubon School Community:

In two weeks our classrooms will be clamoring with excitement and learning. I wanted to share a few things about our return to school:

- ❖ Students return to school on September 6<sup>th</sup>. September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> are early dismissal days for all students.
- ❖ The District will finalize our formal Safe Return to School Plan over the next few weeks. Some items to be mindful of include:
  - We will continue to clean high touch areas frequently following our COVID protocols.
  - We will continue to clean bathrooms throughout the school day on a regular schedule.
  - We will sanitize all instructional spaces and offices via electrostatic sprayers after school days.
  - We will not require masks unless mandated by the DOH, CDC, and/or NJDOE; the wearing of a mask is a personal decision and students and/or employees may be disciplined for confronting or making others uncomfortable.
  - We will not be conducting contact tracing unless mandated by DOH, CDC, and/or NJDOE.
  - We will share local COVID cases weekly via SendIt digital messages.We will revisit these protocols in late September - early October. Any changes will be shared with the school community.
- ❖ Community members that have been around Mansion Avenue School and the Junior-Senior High School have seen a lot of work occurring. Formal Referendum updates and pictures will be shared as our projects are finalized, but I thought you might want to know:
  - All roofing materials will be off the playground areas and parking lots prior to September 6, 2022. There will not be any major roof work completed when students are present. The Mansion roof restoration is slated to be completed by September 12th. The High School roof restoration is slated to be completed by late September.
  - The Junior-Senior High School:
    - Auxiliary Gymnasium will be completed before the return of students. The mercury has been abated, the walls and duct work have been scraped and repainted, the floor has been replaced and upgraded, and the wall padding will be replaced as well.
    - Cafeteria is almost completed. The backsplashes have been upgraded with stainless steel and several pieces of equipment have been replaced, e.g. warmers, salad bar, stove, etc.
    - Front elevation has been excavated and measures have been taken to mitigate the flow of water into and/or close to the building, e.g. piping, reglazing of windows, waterproof membranes, etc. We have had a few big rains with no infiltration.
    - Basketball court regrading has begun and is anticipated to be completed in late September.
    - Tennis Court work will occur in late September as planned. We wanted to avoid a portion of the season.
  - Smaller projects are being planned for over the 2022-2023 school year. The larger projects and bidding process will be moving forward in the Fall so we can secure bids and begin the planning and purchasing process for the Summer of 2023.

Be healthy. Be safe. Be Audubon Strong.

Andrew P. Davis, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

*In partnership with our students, families, and communities, the Audubon Public Schools will educate all students by providing motivating and challenging learning experiences embedded in technology that prepare them to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards at all grade levels, in a safe setting of mutual respect, in order to develop ethical, productive citizens who will contribute to the local and global community.*