#### **Bridgeton Public Schools**

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# Superintendent's Fall Edition Bulldog Briefing

Dr. Keith Miles, Jr. · Superintendent of Schools

#### **Updated Policy**

Staff, students
and visitors will
be required to
wear face masks/
coverings in all
areas throughout
the district,
at all times.

### Meals for the Week of December 7<sup>th</sup>

Reported By Mr. DeShields Students Served: 3,988

Meals Served: (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner) 49,953

A Holiday Meal will be provided to students on Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. Our final distribution for 2020 will be on Wednesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

See flyer on page 6.

#### **Happy Monday Bridgeton Team!**

As we approach the end of the first semester and winter recess, districts across the country are challenged like us with daily student attendance, engaging students while on Teams, and a record number of student failures. Then, there is the added stressor for many of our young people around the topic of deportation. These are all challenges that many of our staff members contend with daily.

To tackle these and other challenges, we will continue to be guided by our 2020-2021 District Priorities, which focuses us on each of the five areas below:

- College and Career Readiness
- 2. Virtual Learning Engagement and Attendance
- 3. School Climate and Mental Health
- 4. Communications and Community Relations
- 5. Financial Management and Facilities

During the pandemic, our work has become more challenging, and I would like to extend a big congratulations to the many staff members recognized this month for above and beyond service amidst all the challenges! Please see pages 4 and 5 for our November "Bulldogs of the Month" and staff kudos.



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#### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

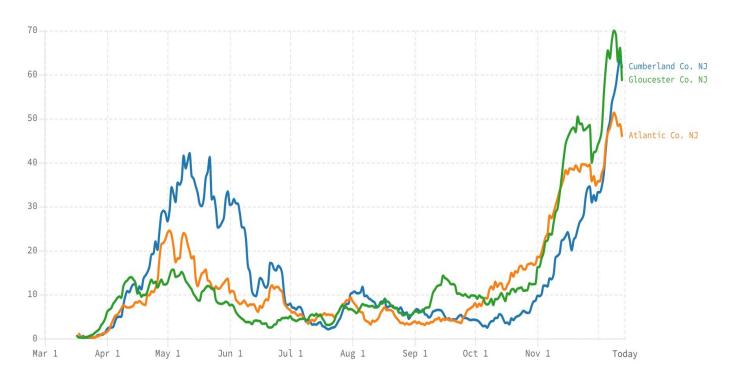
As of today, our COVID-19 total cases since 10/13 are currently at: 29

- 3 Positive Staff Cases at the Thomas C. Lane Administration Building
- Building is temporarily closed for in-person until 12/14
- 3 Positive Staff Cases at Broad Street
- 4 Positive Staff Cases at Buckshutem Road
- 1 Positive Staff Case at Cherry Street
- 1 Positive Staff Case at the Annex
- 1 Positive Staff Case at GOFECC
- 3 Positive Staff Cases at Indian Avenue
- 5 Positive Staff Cases at Quarter Mile Lane
  - Building was temporarily closed for in-person
  - Reopened on November 9th
- 4 Positive Staff Cases at West Avenue
- 4 Positive Cases at BHS
  - Building was temporarily closed
  - Reopened on 11/30
  - Two student cases
  - Two staff cases

## **Upcoming Dates/Events**

- QML Virtual Craft Night on Tuesday, Dec. 15
- Parents and Superintendent, Virtual COVID-19 Town Hall on Jan. 6 in Spanish and Jan. 7 in English
- Special Education Paent Advisory Group Meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 15
- December Administrative Council on Thursday, Dec. 17
- Wednesday, Dec. 23
   One Session Day
- Winter Recess, Schools Closed Dec. 24 to Jan. 1

CASES PER 100K POPULATION IN CUMBERLAND CO. NJ, ATLANTIC CO. NJ AND GLOUCESTER CO. NJ





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District	100% Remote Period			
Bridgeton	11/30/20 to 01/15/21			
Commercial	11/30/20 to 01/15/21			
CCTEC	12/14/20 to 1/15/21			
CRHS	Remote until 02/04/21			
Deerfield	11/30/20 to 01/15/21			
Downe	12/14/20 to 01/15/21			
Fairfield	Remains closed until 01/15/21			
Greenwich/	11/30/20 to 01/15/21			
Stow Creek				
Hopewell	Closed for a quarantine until			
	12/7/2020, Remote until 01/15/21			
Lawrence	11/23/20 to 01/15/21			
Maurice River	11/30/20 to 01/15/21			
Millville	11/30/20 to 01/15/21			
Upper Deerfield	11/30/20 to 01/04/21			
Vineland	11/30/20 to 01/15/21			
Compass	11/30/20 to 01/15/21			
Charter Network	Hybrid Schedule Continues			
Creative Achievement	01/04/21 to 01/15/21			
Pineland	12/10/20 to 01/08/21			

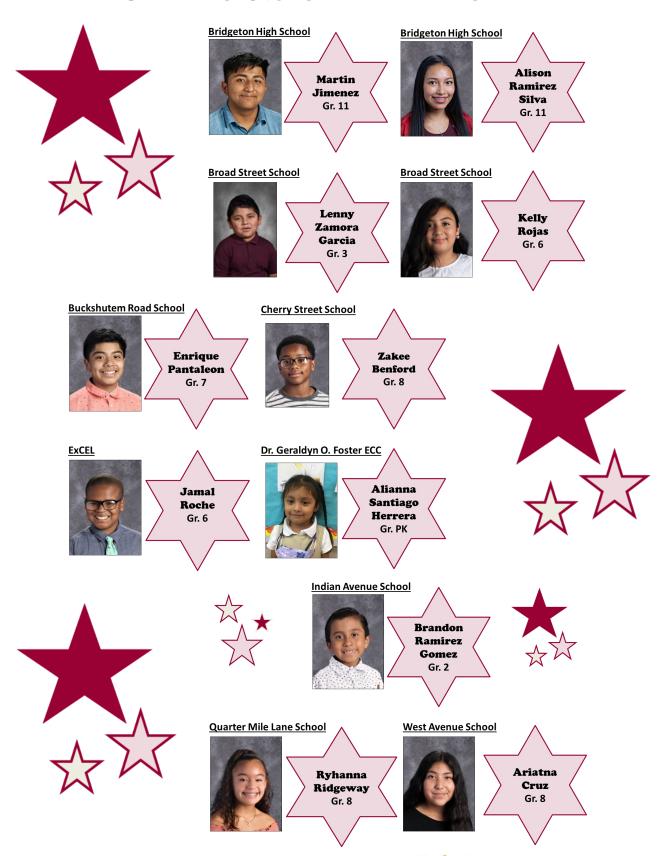
#### Meetings and Community Engagements for the Week of Dec. 7 to Dec. 11

- Individual meetings with the Business Administrator, the Director of Human Resources, the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, Director of Special Education, Director of Research, Evaluation and Testing, and the Director of Technology
- Minority Superintendents Support Meeting
- Joint Cumberland County Superintendents and Business Administrators Meeting
- Conversations with Association Leadership are ongoing
- Conversations with the Board President, VP, and other Board members are ongoing
- Leadership Team Meeting
- All Principals and Superintendent Meeting
- 2021-2022 Budget Planning Retreat
- Special Education Parent Advisory Meeting
- Bilingual Parent Advisory Meeting
- Data Review meetings with the leadership teams:
   GOFECC, Indian Avenue, West Avenue and ExCEL
- December Board Meeting, Board Curriculum and Instruction Committee Meeting, Board Finance Committee Meeting, and Board Facilities Committee Meeting

Student Average Daily Attendance/Engagement (average percentage of students who engaged at some point throughout the day)							
	Week 10 11/9-11/13 Average	Week 11 11/16-11/20 Average	Week 12 11/23-11/25 Average	Week 13 11/30-12/4 Average	Week 14 12/7-12/11 Average		
District-Wide	91%	91%	91%	93%	95%		
Broad Street School	90%	91%	91%	94%	96%		
Buckshutem Rd School	88%	87%	86%	89%	92%		
Cherry Street School	83%	84%	84%	87%	90%		
Indian Avenue School	95%	96%	95%	95%	96%		
Quarter Mile Ln School	91%	94%	93%	94%	95%		
West Avenue School	89%	91%	93%	94%	94%		
ExCEL Program	99%	99%	99%	99%	100%		
Bridgeton High School	95%	93%	93%	93%	96%		
Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster ECC	89%	90%	90%	94%	94%		

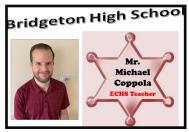


## SUPERINTENDENT'S NOVEMBER "BULLDOGS OF THE MONTH"





## SUPERINTENDENT'S "EDUCATION HEROES"

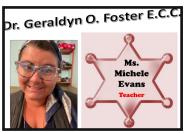
















Mr. Tim Zoyac, Project
Manager for Pathways 21st
Century Community Learning Centers, is the recipient
of th National AfterSchool
Association's 2021 Next
Generation Leader Award.
Tim was selected along
with 45 other emerging
leaders nationwide out of
125 nominees!









Mr. Warren Buirch West



Ms. Elizabeth Beebe Broad



Mr. Joel Howard, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher at QML School, has been nominated by his principal, Mrs. Reina Hernandez, as a "Life Changer of the Year." This program recognizes and rewards K-12 school employees and educators all across the country who make a positive difference in the lives of students. You can show your support by leaving a comment at: http://app.lifechangeroftheyear.com/nomination\_detail.cfm?

NominationID=6049&NominationYear=2020

#### Food Service, Schools Earn accolades

Mr. Warren DeShields, Food Service Director, and his food service team were recognized in an Editorial written by Bridgeton Mayor Albert Kelly for serving over 1 million meals to Bridgeton Public Schools students between March and October 2020. Four of our schools received the Silver Spoon Award: Broad, Cherry, Indian and West.



#### Please share with students and families



"Feeding Education is Always on the Menu"

## Join us for a Holiday meal! December 21, 2020

Sliced Turkey with Gravy
Biscuit
Macaroni & Cheese
Home-style Mashed Potatoes
Jersey Fresh Green Beans
Jersey Fresh Golden Corn
Ginger Bread Cookies



#### Sites are open from 4-6pm

Indian Avenue School
ExCEL Program
Broad Street School
Buckshutem Road School



