

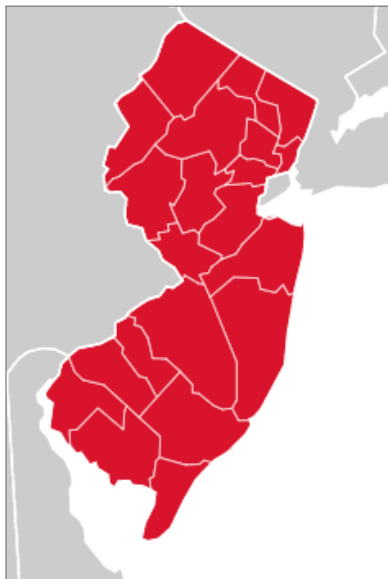


Superintendent's Spring Edition

Bulldog Briefing

Dr. Keith Miles, Jr. • Superintendent of Schools

Happy Monday Bulldog Team!



I hope everyone's spring break was rejuvenating and everyone is ready to maximize the final marking period of the 2020-2021 school year.

As we approach the end of the year, we have been advised to proceed with end of year activities in the same fashion as last year... limited crowd size (under 200), drive up ceremonies, 6ft distancing, and outdoors. Indoor activities and ceremonies are restricted to 25 with the exception of Board meetings (political activities).

I look forward to us identifying creative ways to celebrate our remarkable students and staff and celebrating the 2020-

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New Jersey

SHARE

RECEIVE ALERTS



COVID RISK LEVEL ⓘ

Very high risk

Take strong precautions to avoid exposure, including [official recommended actions](#).



UPDATE

You can now see which locations are more vulnerable than others.

[See vulnerability details for New Jersey](#)

DAILY NEW CASES

● **41.2** PER 100K

Dangerous number of new cases

INFECTION RATE

● **0.95**

COVID is still spreading, but slowly

POSITIVE TEST RATE

● **8.6%**

Indicates adequate testing

ICU CAPACITY USED

● **48%**

Can likely handle a new wave of COVID

VACCINATED

● **46.0%** 1+ DOSE

[New Indicator](#)

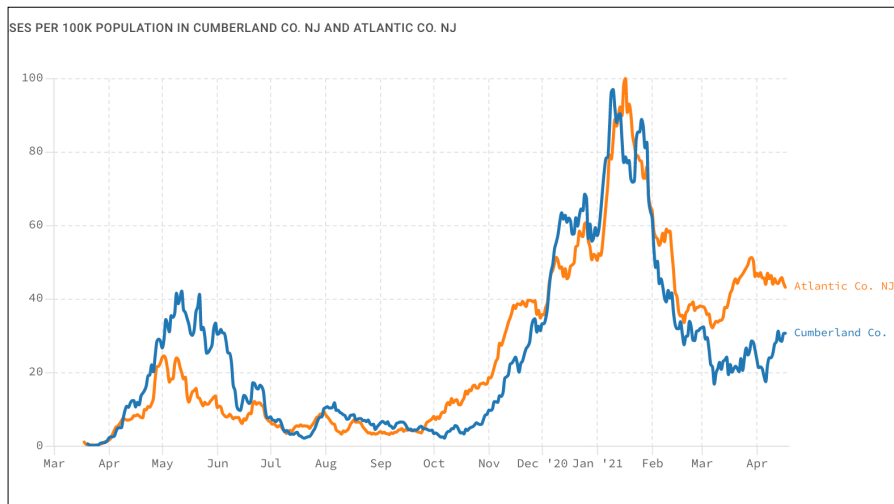


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2021 school year safely and appropriately.

In order to continue our rich tradition in Bridgeton of honoring and recognizing Bridgeton alumnae making huge contributions to our district and the Bridgeton community, we will be celebrating the two alumnae selected for the 2019-2020 school year featured later in this briefing (Sherman Denby and Paulette Joy Douglas) during a ceremony and unveiling next month. I will also be convening the Hall of Fame Committee to make a selection for the 2020-2021 school year to be honored later this year. Kudos to our newest Hall of Fame Award recipients!!!

Cumberland County and the entire state of New Jersey's risk level is holding steady at red "very high risk."



Upcoming Dates/Events

- ◆ Next Restart Meeting with Pandemic Response Liaisons - **Tuesday, April 27, 2021 10:00 am**
- ◆ Parent Conferences - **April 20-23, 2021**
- ◆ Cinco de Mayo - **Wednesday, May 5, 2021**

COVID CASES IN OUR SCHOOLS

As of today, our COVID-19 total cases since 10/13 are currently at: **93**

- 6 Positive Staff Cases at the TCL Building
- 11 Positive Staff Cases at QML
- 1 Positive Staff Case at ExCEL
- 18 Positive Cases at BHS
- 5 Positive Staff Case at the Annex
- 12 Positive Staff Cases at Broad
- 11 Positive Staff Cases at Buckshutem
- 9 Positive Staff Cases at West
- 3 Positive Staff Case at Cherry
- 6 Positive Staff Case at Dr. GOFEC
- 11 Positive Staff Cases at Indian

Meetings/Community Engagements: March 29 - April 19

- Individual Check-ins with the Executive County Superintendent, the Business Administrator, the Director of Human Resources, the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, and the Director of Special Education.
- Weekly Leadership Team Meeting
- Curriculum and Instruction Monthly Meeting
- April Agenda Review Meeting with Superintendent's Cabinet Members
- Board Policy Committee Meeting
- Board Finance Committee Meeting
- Board Facilities Committee Meeting
- Board Curriculum Committee Meeting
- Board Student Services Committee Meeting
- Meeting with Mayor Kelly and Council President Bethea to discussion citywide partnerships
- Meeting with Ed Law Center - Abbott Ruling and Budget Update
- Meeting with Divine 9 Leadership
- Summative Conferences with 6 Central Office Administrators
- Broad Street Principal Candidate Application Review
- Mentoring conversations with two aspiring Superintendents
- Negotiations Scheduling Meeting
- Assistant Superintendent of Special Education and Student Services Interview
- April Administrative Council Meeting
- Cumberland County Superintendents Roundtable
- Conversations with Association leadership are ongoing
- Conversations with the Board President, VP, and other Board members are ongoing
- Principal Evaluation Preparation and Summative Conference Scheduling



Congratulations to Lucia Rodriguez (left, a student at Broad Street School, and Khazir Lane, Cherry Street, for their win in a recent Virtual Debate Tournament. This dynamic duo competed against other students from various schools and place 1st Overall!!! Special thanks to Mr. Shawn Bridges (advisor) and Ms. Jill Maroney (co-advisor) for their work with the Debate Team over the last six years. This photo was taken in 2019 (pre-Covid).

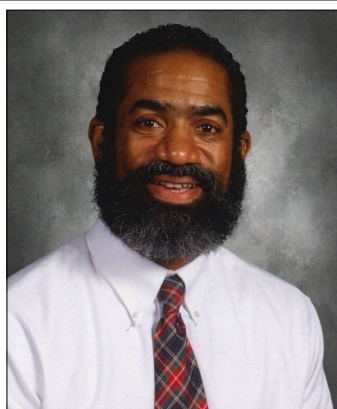
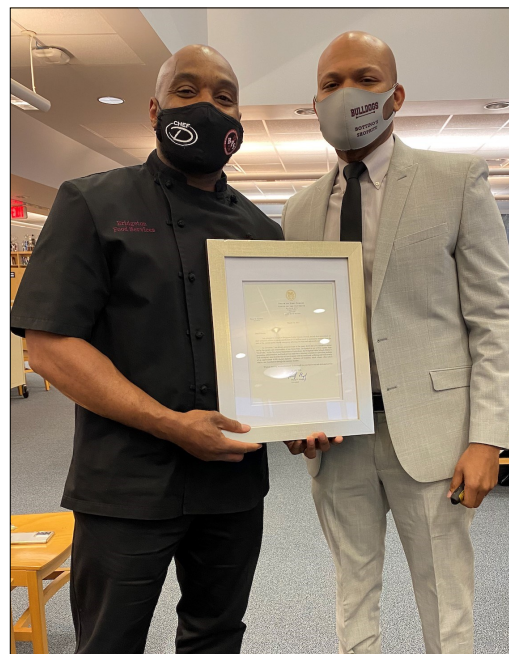
Debate Team Duo Wins 1st Place Honors



Congratulations to Dr. Eniola Ajayi and the entire Special Education and Student Support Services Team. Our district is no longer being monitored for disproportionality among classified students!

Food Services Receives Kudos from Governor

Dr. Keith Miles presents a letter from Gov. Murphy to Mr. Warren DeShields on behalf of the Food Services Team in recognition of the school district's successful distribution of 1.6 million meals to community students since the start of the pandemic. Bridgeton Public Schools has been designated as one of five Garden State "food hubs" by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture.



Hall of Fame Induction Now Set for BHS Alumni

Bridgeton High School alumni, Sherman Denby (Class of 1989) and the late Paulette Joy Douglass (Class of 1968), will be inducted in the BHS Distinguished Hall of Fame on Thursday, May 13 at 6 pm.

Mr. Denby has been employed as a teacher in the district for over 20 years, currently as a Master Teacher at Cherry Street School. The late Ms. Douglas was a five-time Emmy Award-winning producer and director.