



Superintendent's Spring Edition

Bulldog Briefing

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Happy Monday Bulldog Team!

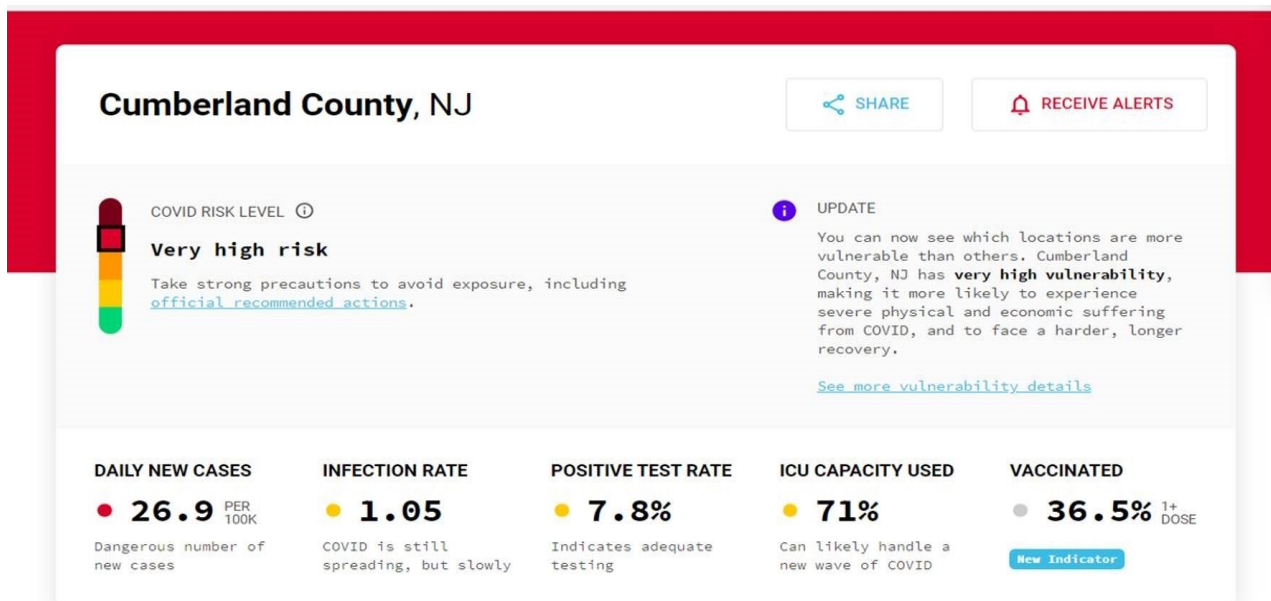
Last week, we honored our amazing administrative professionals for the critical and impactful work they do keeping our schools and offices operating to move our vision and mission forward. I thanked my team last week personally, but I want to also publicly thank them for making my transition into the district smooth. I hope all of our administrative professionals districtwide know they are valued, critical, and appreciated!



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Last week, we also received a verdict in the Derek Chauvin trial. I, like some of you, braced myself for a not guilty verdict and the aftermath that might follow. A few staff members asked my thoughts. My sentiments can be found below:

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From an educator's perspective, I was delighted that our youth were so critical in the outcome of the case. Both the young person who recorded and posted the encounter, as well as all the conversations and events students have been having across the nation on the topic since Floyd's murder, helped build the momentum needed to put pressure on our system to prosecute the case, and to prosecute it appropriately.

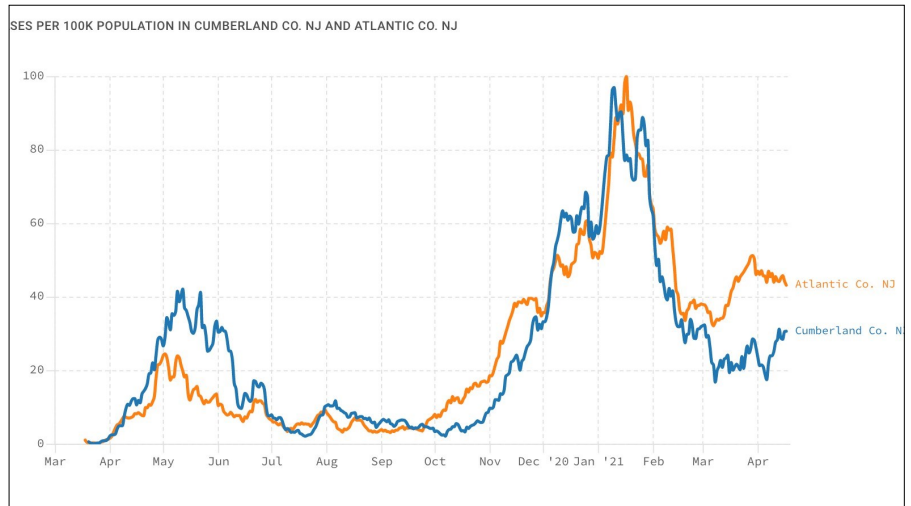
When I think of our students here in Bridgeton, I am reminded of the sophisticated, meaningful, and mature discussions our students engaged in at Cherry Street during its evening and student-led NJEA-sponsored Black Lives Matter at School Week event back in February. Our remarkable students here in Bridgeton and youth across the nation are repeatedly leading the way in this important conversation.

Take home message: We must continue to listen to and embrace the powerful voices of our youth.

In closing, one verdict alone cannot make up for the countless atrocities seen and unseen that have occurred against people of color since our nation's inception. The important conversations and actions that follow will be critical, as we still have a lot of work to do as a nation to ensure we leave behind a more just, more fair, more appropriate society for our youth and future generations.

In this week's briefing, you will find next year's Board approved school year calendar for the 2021-2022 academic year, which will also be placed on our website for your quick reference.

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 Committee Meeting - **April 27, 10:am**
- ◆ Cinco de Mayo - **May 5**

Sports News

Baseball wins their Coaches vs Cancer Baseball Tournament vs Atlantic City: 7-6
Cameron Dunkle was named MVP and received an autographed Mike Trout Baseball
Girls Track 1-0 defeating OLMA

COVID CASES IN OUR SCHOOLS

As of today, our COVID-19 total cases since 10/13 are currently at: **97**

- 6 Positive Staff Cases at the TCL Building
- 13 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
- 4 Positive Staff Case at Cherry
- 7 Positive Staff Case at Dr. GOFEC
- 11 Positive Staff Cases at Indian

Meetings/Community Engagements: April 19-23

- 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, the Director of Evaluation, Research and Testing and the Director of Safety and Security.
- Weekly Leadership Team Meeting
- Whole Group Curriculum and Instruction Meeting
- May Agenda Review Meeting with Superintendent's Cabinet
- Meeting to discuss Bridgeton being almost 100% solar dependent by 2024.
- Graduation Planning Meeting
- Significant Disproportionality Meeting with State
- 2021-2022 Organizational Chart Discussion
- Broad Street Principal Community Panel Interviews
- NJ Black Superintendents Roundtable
- Conversations and negotiations meetings with Association leadership are ongoing
- Conversations with the Board President, VP, and other Board members are ongoing



Ready, Set, Read!

Students, Families Take Books & A Bite Bus Tour



BRIDGETON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

4/13/21 BOE Approved

District School Year Calendar (2021 - 2022)

Parents, students and staff should not plan vacations, trips and other activities that require deposits, non-refundable fees, etc. prior to July 1, 2022, as the school year may be extended beyond the last day of school in June.

Make-up Days due to inclement weather. Order: June 22, 23, 24, 27, 28 then April 22, 21, 20, 19.

Student Days 180 — Teacher Days 186

= School Closed

= One Session Day = Gr. 9-12 only

= Closed for Students

= Closed Due to Inclement Weather

July 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4		6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

5 Fourth of July Observed

0 Teacher Days 0 Student Days

August 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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24-26, 31 Certificated Staff Orientation

0 Teacher Days 0 Student Days

September 2021

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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1-3 Professional Development
6 Closed Labor Day
7 First Day for Students
24 Professional Development

Teacher Days 21 Student Days 17

6 Progress Reports

11 Closed - Columbus Day
TBD One Session Gr. 9-12 only PSAT Test
22 Professional Development

Teacher Days 20 Student Days 19

October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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November 2021

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December 2021

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17 Closed - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
25-27 Gr. 9-12 Midterms - One Session
27 Second Marking Period End
28 Closed Professional Development

Teacher Days 20 Student Days 19

February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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1 Report Cards
11 One Session-Professional Dev.
18-21 Closed Presidents' Day

Teacher Days 18 Student Days 18

March 2022

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3 Progress Reports
18 One Session Day- Prof. Dev.

Teacher Days 23 Student Days 23

5 Third Marking Period Ends
6 Report Cards
11-14 One Session Parent Conf.
12 PK-8 Evening Conferences
13 Gr. 9-12 Evening Conferences
15-22 Closed Spring Recess

Teacher Days 15 Student Days 15

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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May 2022

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13 Progress Reports
20 One Session Day- Prof. Dev.
26 BHS Prom, Gr.9-12 Only - One Session
27-30 Closed - Memorial Day

Teacher Days 20 Student Days 20

June 2022

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13-17 One Session Days
14-16 Gr. 9-12 Finals
17 Gr. 9-12 Finals Makeup
21 Last Day for Students / Report Cards
BHS Graduation
Last day for Teachers

Teacher Days 15 Student Days 15