



Superintendent's Spring Edition **Bulldog Briefing**

Dr. Keith Miles, Jr. • Superintendent of Schools

Happy Monday Bulldog Team!

I hope all of our mothers across the district had a lovely day yesterday! Getting to hug and visit loved ones who have now been vaccinated was the highlight of my weekend. As CDC



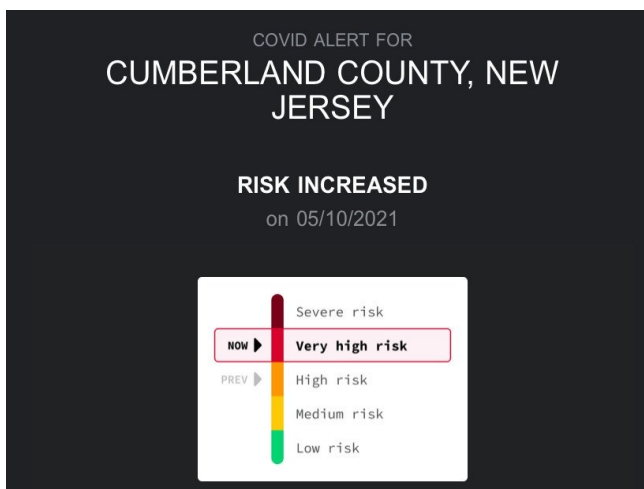
guidance around masks indoors and outdoors changes, we will modify our policy. In the meantime, all district employees must remain masked when in district and during work hours except when eating or drinking.

Continuing with our appreciation of all those who work hard to keep our students safe, cared for, and moving toward our mission of a quality education for all, I hope staff thanked their principal today in honor of Principals Day! Other appreciations in May include:

- 6-12 – National Nurses Week
- 12 – National School Nurses Day (recognized by National Association of School Nurses)
- 27 – National School Bus Driver Appreciation Day recognized by the NJ legislature)

****October 2 – National Custodian and Maintenance Appreciation Day**

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COVID-19 Update

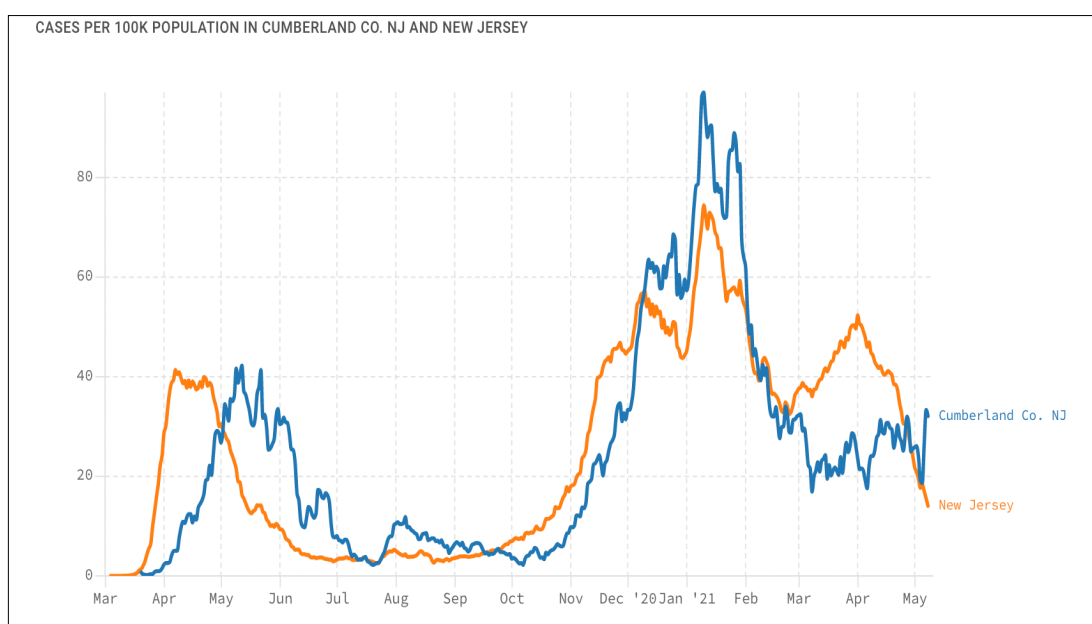
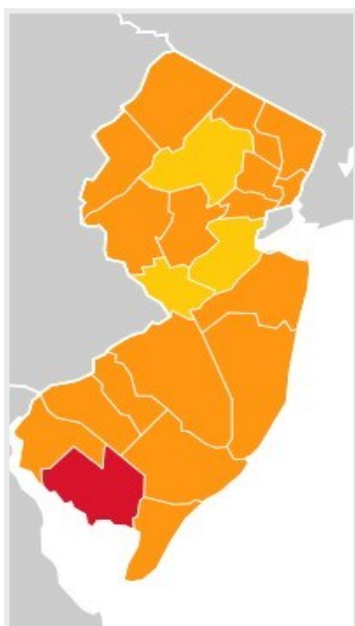
Cumberland County is the only county across the state of New Jersey that has a risk level at red "very high risk."



COVID CASES IN OUR SCHOOLS

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

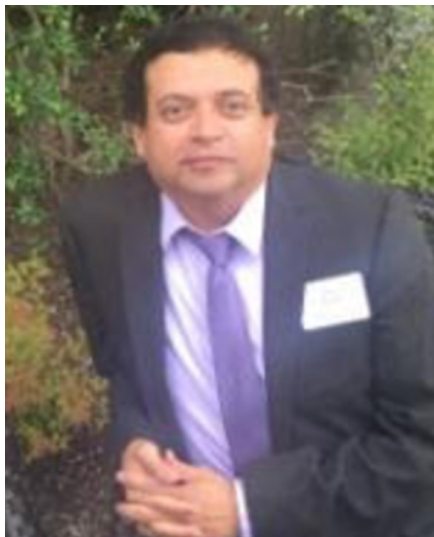
- 6 Positive Staff Cases at the TCL Building
- 13 Positive Staff Cases at QML
- 1 Positive Staff Case at ExCEL
- 18 Positive Cases at BHS
- 5 Positive Staff Case at the Annex
- 12 Positive Staff Cases at Broad
- 11 Positive Staff Cases at Buckshutem
- 9 Positive Staff Cases at West
- 4 Positive Staff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



Meetings/Community Engagements: May 3-7

- ♦ Individual Check-ins with the Executive County Superintendent, the Business Administrator, the Director of Human Resources, the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, the Director of Special Education, the Director of Evaluation, Research and Testing, and the Director of Safety and Security, and the Director of Bilingual, ESL and World Languages
- ♦ Weekly Leadership Team Meeting
- ♦ Federal Monitoring Entrance Conference
- ♦ Increasing Community Access to Testing (ICATT) Introductory Meeting
- ♦ Budget Hearing and May Board Meeting
- ♦ Graduation Planning Meeting

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Director of Bilingual Education Joins State Advisory Committee

The New Jersey Department of Education has invited **Mr. Elmer Arreaga**, the district's Director of Bilingual Education, to participate in the State Advisory Committee on Bilingual Education to assist the Department of Education in the formation of policies and procedures relating to Bilingual education.

This appointment will take place in the 2021-2022 school year.

Upcoming Dates/Events

- ♦ Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony - May 13
- ♦ May Administrative Council - May 20
- ♦ Senior Prom - May 27
- ♦ Merit Awards - June 3
- ♦ June Board Meeting - June 8
- ♦ Academic Excellence Awards - June 9-10
- ♦ Last day of School - June 22

Sports News

Girls Varsity Track Team defeats OL-MA. Girls track are now 3-0.

Dionne Edwards Sworn In As Newest Board Member



Mrs. Dionne Edwards was sworn in as the newest member of the Bridgeton Board of Education at the May 4th Board meeting.

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- ♦ Meeting with Mr. Waterman to discuss the Bridgeton Area Chamber of Commerce
- ♦ Student Services Committee Meeting
- ♦ Retention Planning Meeting with the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction and Innovation
- ♦ Retention and Promotion Planning Meeting with School Leaders
- ♦ Great Schools New Jersey Regular Meeting
- ♦ Federal Monitoring Exit Conference
- ♦ Meeting with the New Jersey School Development Authority
- ♦ Restorative Practices Training - Session 1
- ♦ Site visits to Buckshutem Road, Cherry Street, Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster Early Childhood Center, Indian Avenue, Broad Street, Quarter Mile Lane, and West Avenue
- ♦ Conversations and negotiations meetings with Association leadership, Business Administrative, Director of HR, Board, and attorneys are ongoing
- ♦ Conversations with the Board President, VP, and other Board members are ongoing