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Dear West Orange Public School Families,

I hope this message finds you well. The following may simply be a friendly reminder for many but in case you missed it (ICYMI):

Mask Update: After a follow up consultation with Dr. Kelly, the district physician has provided the following recommendations which the district will be applying for the remainder of this school year. Masks will no longer be required outdoors and will be optional indoors when the temperature is greater than 85 degrees Fahrenheit and the humidity is 85 percent or higher. For the remainder of the year, I will monitor the daily forecast and provide an email in advance of the school day to the faculty and administration to advise whether it is a mask optional day. Students will be advised to come prepared daily for both.

Reminder: June 18, 21 and 22 are half days. There will be no afternoon instruction these days. June 22 is the last day of the school year for all students. Any questions concerning the schedule for these days may be directed to the building principal or main office staff.

Reminder: Safe Return Plan- You are strongly encouraged to engage in this process, we welcome and value your feedback.

[SAFE RETURN TO IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION AND CONTINUITY OF SERVICES](#)
[PUBLIC COMMENT FORM](#)

Please complete by 3pm on June 18, 2021

The district will then submit a *Safe Return Plan* by June 24th to the NJDOE. This plan is a prerequisite requirement for the application for the American Rescue Plan or ESSER III funds, of which our district has received approximately \$7 million.

BOE Meeting June 16 - Goal Setting Town Hall: The survey is now closed, thank you to everyone who submitted a response. The Board members appreciate the input regarding the public's interests and priorities and will use this information to inform the district goals for the upcoming school year. The meeting will be conducted virtually and begins at 7:00PM. Additional details and updates can always be found on the district website. woboe.org

Grade 8 Promotion Ceremonies - Both Liberty and Roosevelt Middle School will conduct promotion ceremonies for the rising freshman class on the campus of West Orange High School at Suriano Stadium Friday, June 18. Details regarding the time and potential rain date information has been provided by the Principal of each school respectively.

WOHS Commencement June 24 - We are equally delighted to conduct the commencement exercises on the high school campus at Suriano Stadium. The details and schedule consisting of three ceremonies has been shared with students and families by the high school administration and staff.

I wish you a restful weekend and thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent