



## *Stratford Board of Education*

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Greetings to our Stratford families,

I hope you are staying well and finding that the time home provides opportunities for great conversations with your children, but I also know that after being home bound for nearly 2 months you are wishing for some relief. I am constantly asked how soon can we go back to normal.

Well, the Governor made the announcement this morning as part of his message for Teacher Appreciation Week that school will not resume this school year. With that question settled, we are planning how to make this experience of Distance Learning the best for each child.

Our teachers have done some amazing things with their students and are missing having them in school. To enable them to continue their quality work, we are providing them three opportunities to collaborate with their colleagues and share ideas to enhance student learning. Starting this Friday, May 8, and every 2 weeks, May 22 and June 5, teachers will meet with their students for an hour and then spend the rest of their day in planning with their colleagues. This also provides students who may have work to complete, or studying for AP exams time to focus on that work.

Principals will be notifying students who may have left belongings in their classrooms when they may pick those items up in a safe manner.

Each of the high schools is planning alternatives for graduation for seniors to recognize the milestone of graduating from high school and to celebrate their success.

Please stay healthy and we will be planning for alternatives for opening school in the Fall.

Janet Robinson

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Janet Robinson Ph.D." with a horizontal line underneath.

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