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Dear Parents and Advocates,

As always, we hope this email finds you safe and healthy!

**Upcoming Holiday Season**

Schools have been doing an amazing job at keeping our students safe, but our students are only as safe as the precautions they take outside of the classroom. If you are still finalizing your Thanksgiving plans, consider referring to [this guidance document](#) from the NJ DOH.

Keep in mind the "3 W's" from the CDC as you plan for next week:

**Wash your hands.** Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer.

**Watch your distance.** Keep at least 6-feet apart from people outside of your immediate household and avoid close contact.

**Wear a mask.** Make sure you wear a cloth mask over your mouth and nose to protect others from you.

We also recommend that you download **COVID Alert NJ**, New Jersey's free and secure mobile app that anonymously alerts users if they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

The app also provides users with up-to-date information on New Jersey reopening news, key COVID-19 metrics, and a user-friendly symptom tracking tool. COVID Alert NJ uses Bluetooth proximity technology. The app will never record any identifying data. **All users will remain anonymous.**

You can find more information on how to download and use the app [here](#). It is up to all of us to put in the work and take the precautions to ensure our community is safe.

**HAPPY  
THANKSGIVING**



### **State Policy Updates**

- Effective November 17th, 2020 indoor gatherings are limited to 10 people. Outdoor gatherings are limited to 150 people effective 11/23. Events like funerals, weddings, memorial services, religious gatherings and political activities are not subject to these specific limitations. Always refer to <https://covid19.nj.gov/> for the latest information.

### **Member School Shoutout**

- Jazelle Bautista, 8th grader at Jersey City Global Charter School, is one of many students who benefit from the school's MicroSociety program. JCGCS has been the proud recipient of the National MicroSociety Four Star School Success Award for the last four years, and Jazelle is a perfect example as to why. Way to go, Jazelle! Read more: [Read more here.](#)

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