



# Evesham Township School District

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Dear ETSD Families,

Highlights: Evesham Township Backpack/School Supplies Drive; Masks Survey Results; Vaccination Opportunities; Busing; Community Activities.

It's August, and excitement is building for the coming year!

## **Evesham Township Backpack/School Supplies Drive**

Please consider supporting the [Evesham Backpack & School Supplies Collection Drive](#), now through August 20! Monetary donations are welcome as well. Thank you for all contributions to help all students be ready and prepared for school.

## **Masks Survey Results**

Our masks survey deadline was yesterday. Parents completed the survey for 54% of our students. 54% of the completed responses support masks optional for students, and 46% support masks required for students. Our district is continuing to discuss and consider masking, as September 9, the first day of school, is just over a month away, and each day brings new information, as well as the possibility of a statewide update. Our [ETSD Safe Return Plan](#) currently requires masks for students and staff. Any plan changes, or if there are none, will be communicated via next week's Update for Families. The state of NJ has determined that masking is a local decision left up to each individual district. Gathering input through the survey and other means is part of our district's decision-making process. The survey itself does not decide. We anticipate further guidance from the NJ Dept. of Education this summer to include the topic of masking.

## **Vaccination Opportunities**

Many thanks to our Burlington County Health Department for facilitating yesterday's walk-in vaccination clinic for ages 12 and older at Marlton Middle School. We had a great turnout, about 70 people, including ETSD students. This link <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/finder> shows vaccination locations for ages 12 and up, such as our local CVS and Rite Aid stores, as well as WalMart. Other opportunities include a clinic this evening, Aug. 5 from 6 PM to 7:30 PM at Liberty Lake Day Camp, 1196 Florence-Columbus Road, Bordentown; 2nd dose on Aug. 26 from 6 PM to 7 PM (fully vaccinated by Sept. 9). Also, the Burlington County Health Department is continuing to administer vaccines four days a week at its fixed



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clinic sites. Simply walk-in. No appointment necessary. Those clinics run on the following schedule:

- Mondays, from 2 PM to 6 PM, at the Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center, 53 Academy Drive, Westampton (drive-thru clinic);
- Tuesdays, from 9 AM to 1 PM at the Palmyra Community Center, 30 West Broad, Palmyra;
- Wednesdays from noon to 4 PM at the Weimann Building, 400 Delanco Road, Edgewater Park;
- Thursdays from 3 PM to 7 PM at the Bordentown Township Senior Center, 3 Municipal Drive, Bordentown.

## Busing

All families eligible for busing are encouraged to use it, and to take advantage of this transportation opportunity. Busing went safely all year last year. Please note, this coming year, like last year, our district is only able to assign each student to the same bus stop for the AM and PM routes. We cannot accommodate different bus stops per student for the AM and PM routes. Reasons for this need include health and safety (e.g. maximizing spacing and contact tracing) as well as available transportation capacity. Thank you very much for your understanding.

## Community Activities

New postings on our [Community Activities](#) webpage, including [Marlton Day on Main Street Oct. 9](#). Let's mark our calendars now for this great event, made possible by the Marlton Business Association, of entertainment, activities, and supporting our community! MBA is a valued supporter of our school district.

Sincerely,

Dr. Justin Smith  
Superintendent of Schools