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To our Toms River Regional Schools staff, parents, and families:

With winter break approaching, I'd like to wish each and every one of you the happiest of holidays, and a joyous New Year.

One of the wonderful facets of working within a school district is the extra time to spend with family and loved ones over the holiday season. As all of you know, that time—though ample and so, so valuable—goes fast. My wish for you is that you're able to savor these days off, enjoy them with those who mean the most to you, and use them to relax, recharge, and unwind.

I know that as we enter this break and look toward 2022, there are questions and concerns about our schools as yet another wave of this pandemic factors in. While I certainly did not want to include the word "Covid" in this holiday message, I do want to take a moment to reiterate that we're maintaining our approach, with respect to the size of this district, to handle each situation as it arises, with no plans to alter district-wide operations. While we remain very much in tune with the trends and continue to prioritize safety and health above all else, our goals remain the same, and we maintain the hope that our collective efforts will help us continue to forge ahead this school year.

That said, 'tis the season for us to shift our focus to what matters most, and what matters most to me at this time is that you're all able to experience health, hope, and happiness this holiday season. All the best to you and yours, and I look forward to seeing you in 2022.

Sincerely,

Dr. Stephen Genco  
Superintendent of Schools