COMMACK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

We want to stay in touch with our parents, and there are many ways we reach out with information and updates about our schools. All <u>District to Parent communication</u> flows through the contact information you have supplied on the <u>Parent Portal</u>, which can be updated at <u>any time while logged in</u>. The schools and administration will send emails, voice messages, and texts through this system. If you need assistance with logging in to the Parent Portal, there are helpful tips, like "how do I change my contact preferences," on our website: <u>https://www.commackschools.org/parents.aspx</u>. You can also email <u>parentportal@commack.k12.ny.us</u> for Parent Portal support. Lastly, for easy, on-the-go mobile access to the Parent Portal, download the Campus Parent app from your app store. *Please help us reach our goal of easily communicating with every parent in the District by keeping your contact information up-to-date.*

Speaking of easy, mobile access, did you know that Commack has a mobile app? With this app, parents can quickly and easily access important information about each school and the district. For example, app users can easily access the Parent Portal, Backpack News, the Commack Website, and much more, on-the-go! Further, those who download the app will receive important, instantaneous Push

Notifications from the district and each school regarding weather-related closings, important notices about daily calendar events, and other school and district-related messages.

<u>For community news</u> such as Board of Education information, community happenings and events, sex offender notifications, and general information, parents can also opt-in to our <u>Community Connect Notification</u> system. Signing up is easy! Just click the Community Connect Email Notification (under the Our Community dropdown) on the home page of the Commack Website. You can subscribe to receive news and updates from the District, Continuing Education, sex offender notifications, and other community news.

Don't forget to check the Backpack News once or twice a week! Our Backpack News page contains flyers and current information on happenings in the District and in our schools. The Backpack News link is under the Quick Links dropdown or go directly to: <u>https://www.commackschools.org/backpacknews1.aspx</u>.

While you're visiting our website <u>www.commackschools.org</u>, click on the Calendar dropdown to explore our interactive calendar. It contains features that allow you to filter the calendar by school and download the calendar to your phone. Complete instructions can be found on the site.

You can view the daily updates, pictures, and activities within the District on our Twitter (now called "X") feed (<u>@CommackSchools</u>), on Instagram <u>@CommackSD</u>, and on Facebook <u>CommackSchoolDistrict</u>.

Through the use of technology, the District saves on postage, printing, and paper costs. Please take advantage of all the Commack School District has to offer!

Very truly yours,

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