

# Monmouth County Vocational School District

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Dear MCVSD Parents & Families,

As we come closer to September, we will continue to provide regular updates about our preparations for the upcoming year:

## **Professional Development**

During August, we are offering 23 professional learning events for teachers on topics that range from addressing social and emotional learning to creating online assessments to facilitating online labs; that's almost 30 hours of opportunities offered with 250 participants to date! Teachers are eager to collaborate virtually and share best practices to engage students while fostering an online learning community.

## **Safety Training**

We are currently creating training modules to communicate safety protocols to students, parents, and staff. The safety training will be provided in a video format by an OSHA safety expert following the most up to date CDC guidelines. District substitutes will also receive access to an online classroom where they will review safety guidelines, district policies/procedures, and classroom management techniques.

## **Building Preparations**

Many of you have questions about how your student will be grouped in cohorts and how individual programs will run. By **August 14**, your student's building principal will share information about which cohort your student will be in and details about the operation of school shortly afterward. Each building principal is currently meeting with their pandemic response team and creating their own reopening plan.

## **Virtual Instruction**

This is just a friendly reminder that you have until **August 14** to request virtual learning for your student for September. Please contact your student's building principal if you have any questions. Here is an overview of our process, which we shared previously: [MCVSD Virtual Instruction](#).

## **Resources**

There are several community-based resources available if COVID-19 has impacted you or your loved ones. We will continue to collect and share them on our website: [Community Resources](#).