



## Pearl River School District

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Superintendent of Schools

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### **ATTENTION SCHOOL DISTRICTS ATTENDING ATHLETIC AND EXTRACURRICULAR EVENTS AT PEARL RIVER UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT:**

On March 26, 2019, Edwin J. Day, County Executive declared a State of Emergency for Rockland County pertaining to students who must be excluded from public places, including but not limited to public schools for the next thirty (30) calendar days through midnight on April 25, 2019.

Pursuant to the terms of the original emergency executive order, beginning March 27, 2019 through April 25, 2019, students under the age of 18 in Rockland County who are unvaccinated against measles may not be permitted to attend any "place of public assembly". There are two exceptions: 1) Students who have been tested and proven to be serologically immune to measles as documented by a physician and 2) Students who are prevented from receiving a measles vaccination for a medical reason as documented by a physician and approved by the applicable school, may still be permitted to attend places of public assembly.

The Amended Executive Order as of April 3, 2019 now defines a "place of public assembly" as:

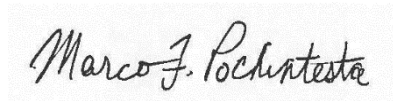
An **indoor** place where more than 10 persons are intended to congregate for purposes such as civic, governmental, social, or religious functions, or for recreation or shopping, or for food or drink consumption, or awaiting transportation, or for daycare or educational purposes, or for medical treatment. A place of public assembly shall also include public transportation vehicles, including but not limited to, publicly or privately owned buses or trains, but does not include taxi or livery vehicle.

The aforementioned language makes clear that unimmunized students who have not tested as serologically immune, as well as those who do not have a valid medical exemption, must not be permitted to be transported or permitted to enter **indoor** schools and facilities locations in Rockland County; including but not limited to the school buildings of the Pearl River Union Free School District events.

We ask that you review your student rosters and relevant immunization records to insure the appropriate immunization status of each athlete traveling to extra-curricular events sponsored by the Pearl River Union Free School District. Thereafter, we request that you take the necessary precautions to ensure that unimmunized visiting athletes and children under the age of 18 are appropriately supervised and aware that they must not enter any indoor school and building spaces while attending athletic events in the District.

Thank you for carefully attending to these matters. The District appreciates your efforts to assure student, staff and public safety. If you have any questions about the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Interim Director of Physical Education and Athletics, Stewart Hanson at 845-620-3925.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marco F. Pochintesta". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'M' and 'P'.

Mr. Marco Pochintesta

Superintendent of Schools