



Oct. 1, 2021

Dear New Rochelle High School Students:

First, I want to thank each and every one of you for your patience as we work out all the details, big and small, of your return to the New Rochelle High School campus.

I know that not having access to your school, due to damage from the hurricane, has been especially difficult for so many of you. We are working as hard, fast, and efficiently as we can to make repairs so you can be safely back on campus as soon as possible. Please know we are on schedule to welcome you to in-person classes on Monday, November 1. Principal Artiles will be in touch regarding the timing of new-student orientations prior to that date.

I know how much so many of you were looking forward to being together with friends. Despite the hardships, I am heartened to see so many of you diving enthusiastically back into activities such as sports teams and volunteering. It's really, really inspiring to me, and watching you return with so much energy gives me the energy I need as your superintendent.

Thank you to all of you who have made the effort to get vaccinated against COVID-19, which is so important to keeping you and those around you healthy and safe. I encourage all students to take the time to research the facts about the COVID vaccine, the history of vaccines in our country, and the role they play in the interest of public health. The City School District of New Rochelle's free COVID-19 vaccination clinic, in partnership with the Westchester County Department of Health, is Wednesday, October 13 at Albert Leonard Middle School from 3:30 to 7 p.m. Montefiore New Rochelle Hospital offers vaccinations as well. Visit [montefiorehealthsystem.org/NewRochelle](https://montefiorehealthsystem.org/NewRochelle).

Finally, I wanted to give a special shoutout to all of your dedicated teachers and staff who are supporting you during this time. We care about you and are committed to your success. If there is anything you need, please ask one of your teachers, coaches, counselors, or Principal Artiles or me. We are here to support you.

I am confident that this will be a great year, and I'm grateful to be part of your community. I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible in the coming year.

Go Huguenots!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathan Raymond". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and 'R'.

Jonathan Raymond  
Superintendent