I have been researching the email distribution problem that seems to be impacting some but not all of our district residents. Our initial thought was that I was doing something wrong on the distribution, as I am quite 1980's when it comes to technology. Instead, in this case we found a nation-wide issue which has people with Gmail, email addresses, automatically blocking Instant Messenger calls as spam. While my family got a good chuckle out of me going to spam, and I am in for some dinner table abuse, that is certainly not the intent, and we need to address the issue. Therefore, we are having our Public Relations Team post the Daily COVID report prominently on the website each night at 7:30 PM, while the companies work on the problem. In addition, I will continue to send the nightly email out to anyone who does not have the Gmail issue.

Moving on to the weather, we have a virtual snow day scheduled for tomorrow (Thursday) from 10 to 2 PM, and will re-evaluate the conditions that same evening. We do ask that you be safe, take care of yourselves, and be careful with the snow shoveling and snow blowers. We also offer a gentle reminder to our young people that any unmasked exposure tomorrow which leads to infection, will manifest systems smack in the middle of the holidays, so please try and remain careful to the greatest possible extent.

The South Huntington School Nutrition Program wishes to make sure that all of our district families in need will have the opportunity for healthy meals during their time at home for our upcoming holiday break. For this reason, SHNS will be providing breakfast and lunch meals to our district students, both during the regularly planned school break, as well as the extended virtual learning period that has been added (January 4- January 8).

The distribution service will be available at Stimson Middle School on December 22<sup>nd</sup> and January 4<sup>th</sup>. Each package will contain breakfast and lunch meal choices for multiple days, to allow you the flexibility to enjoy when you wish during your family's time at home. The time of pick-up will be as follows:

December 22<sup>nd</sup> - 3 pm - 6 pm

January 4<sup>th</sup> - 12 Noon - 2 pm, and 4 pm-6 pm.

All families interested in participating in this FREE meal service must sign up online beforehand. The registration is located on our <u>District</u> <u>Website/School Nutrition/Quick Links</u>. The deadline for this registration is Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. It is necessary to register beforehand to ensure we have prepared enough meals for all families.

Please visit our School Nutrition website or call our office at 631-812-3040 with any questions.

Be well,

Dave Bennardo