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## Demarest School District Excels in Distance Learning

**Demarest, NJ March 31, 2020** - The Demarest School District is proud to recognize the dedicated work of its students, teachers, administrators and parents during the prolonged school closure. Beginning on March 16th, the district successfully transformed its schools into a virtual learning experience. The Demarest School District has continued its commitment to excellence in learning that has been above and beyond outstanding.

To accomplish this endeavour, teachers in the district have been creating asynchronous learning for students through the use of a variety of platforms and pre-recorded digital videos. Many teachers in the district have also begun including synchronous distance learning through the use of live video conferencing tools.

Mr. Michael Fox, the district Superintendent, is extremely proud of his two Principals, Mr. Mazzini and Mr. Regan for their outstanding leadership in creating morning announcements that simulate a normal start of the day for their students. The morning announcements consist of a daily message as a positive affirmation, updates for the community, a joke, and quote of the day. Mr. Regan commented, "The intent of the morning announcements is to bring a sense of normalcy to the lives of our students. It is so important that children understand that they are cared for and that their teachers are still here to support them." Mr. Mazzini said of this process, "Our students deserve a sense that their day will continue on as it has when we were in the building. It reminds them that the staff is here for them at home as they are in school."

You can access Mr. Regan's morning announcements by clicking here:

<https://tinyurl.com/DMSannouncements>

You can access Mr. Mazzini's announcements by clicking here:

<https://tinyurl.com/CRS-LLEannouncements>

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