



Elmont Union Free School District

CULTIVATING SCHOLARS AND GLOBAL CITIZENS

AL HARPER
Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Elmont School District currently uses a mass notification telephone calling system called "**Blackboardconnect** (ConnectEd), which allows the District to send out mass notifications to parents and community residents. It has come to our attention that many parents did not receive recent messages from the District related to COVID-19 school closures.

According to information gathered in a report from the last mass notification call that was sent, it appears that you have "Opted-Out" of receiving these calls from the District. The system allows an option to "Opt-Out" of receiving future calls by pressing the number 1 immediately after the message is complete. You may have inadvertently pressed 1, thereby removing your number from our call list.

If you would like to receive ConnectEd messages in the future, please follow the steps below:

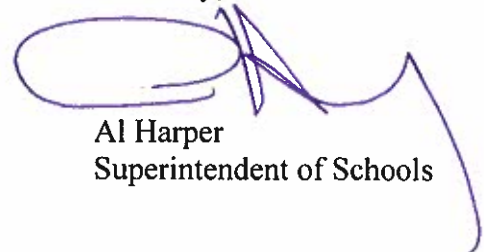
1. From your personal phone, open a "new text message"
2. Dial the number – 23177
3. In the body of the text message, type the following words – "**START ELMONT**"
4. Press Send.

Once you have completed the steps listed above, you will receive a confirmation text indicating that you have now "Opted Back In" to the ConnectEd system and will begin receiving mass notification calls from the District and/or your child's school once again.

Should you choose to not Opt Back In, the school district offers other means of communication with parents through the district website; www.elmontschools.org, as well as the free district mobile app.

It is the District's priority to ensure that we keep our parents and community informed on important events going on in our schools at all times.

Sincerely,



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