Dear Preschool Parents,

As you are aware, Governor Baker has closed Massachusetts public schools for the rest of the school year. The school district administration has been reviewing its pre-school program in light of this guidance. While the pre-school program has been providing remote learning opportunities to students, we understand that remote learning is particularly challenging for this age group, and have decided to waive pre-school fees for this time period of remote learning.

Fees will be pro-rated based on the number of days the program was open (through March 13, 2020) as a percentage of how many days it would have been open if it was open through the end of the school year.

The Business Office will be working to compare payments received vs. these pro-rated fees determine funds are owed to the District, or due back to parents. For parents who have a child that will be returning to preschool next year, you may apply those funds to your 2020-2021 school year tuitions for pre-school, if you so choose. If you wish to do so, please email Cheryl Sharon (csharon@bbrsd.org) no later than May 22, 2020. Otherwise, any families with amounts owed will be mailed a refund in early June. Any families with amounts owed to the District will be contacted also, and provided with current balance due.

If you believe your child received some benefit from the remote learning, and would like to contribute a portion of your reimbursement to the District or pay for some of the time since March 13 to put towards the program (we are continuing to pay our staff, who are now focusing primarily on remote learning for special education pre-school students), that support would be appreciated, but is not required. Please email Cheryl Sharon if you wish to do so.

We hope that you and your family are healthy and safe during these difficult times.

Sincerely,
Jeff Zanghi, Superintendent of Schools
Robert Conry, Director of Finance and Operations