

My COVID-19 Experience

New Year's Day, all everyone could talk about was the year 2020. This was the year where history was to be made. However, shortly into the first month, our expectations began to change. On March 13th high schools around the world had a half-day and were preparing for two weeks of remote online learning. These two weeks quickly turned into three months and we would not return for the remaining school year. The harsh reality set in that everything a high school senior dreamt about was ripped away. COVID-19 was quickly taking over the world and individuals needed to adapt fast. The state of New Jersey had their citizens under quarantine from March to the beginning of June. For approximately three months we were confined to our homes and could only leave if the circumstances were dire.

This global pandemic was quickly changing the way we live our lives. One of my most memorable moments through this pandemic was my high school graduation. It took a lot of convincing to finally persuade the Board of Education and more importantly the state of New Jersey to agree to a social-distance graduation. One may ask, what does it mean to have a social distance graduation? Well, we had to sit on our football field, six feet apart from one another. Future generations should look back at this global pandemic and realize to never take anything for granted. They should know to be grateful for every opportunity they are given and to jump at the chance to try new things. Life can change in a matter on an instant and no one is given tomorrow. There was not one person that anticipated the Corona Virus to take over the world, as fast as it did.