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Re: **Hybrid Model Return to School**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we continue to forge ahead in this everchanging school year, I am writing to provide you with an update regarding the districts plan to change to a hybrid educational model beginning November 2, 2020. November 2 is the first day of quarter 2.

The change to a hybrid educational model means that students will be assigned to either Group A or Group B. Students assigned to Group A will be expected to come to school on Monday's and Wednesday's. Students assigned to Group B will be expected to come to school on Tuesday's and Thursday's. When your child is not in school, he or she will need to continue working on assignments that are provided by their teacher as well as login to Compass and/or Edgenuity. Please understand your child must login to Compass and/or Edgenuity on the days they are not in school to document their attendance.

In addition to changing to this hybrid model, dismissal from the elementary school will be at 2:00 and dismissal from the high school will be at 2:15. This will be necessary in order to give our teachers time to connect with anyone experiencing academic difficulties. The teachers will continue to work in the buildings on Fridays. Students experiencing academic issues may be invited to come to after school tutoring or come to the school on Friday to work with a teacher.

If you do not feel sending your child to school is safe, you are able to continue online learning 5 days per week. We understand these are difficult decisions. The choice is yours.

Soon you will receive a letter indicating the days of the week your child(ren) have been assigned to attend in-person school. The letter will also include a self-addressed stamped envelope for you to return that will indicate your willingness to return to in-person school and your willingness to transport your child to and from school. This request will be made in order to decrease the number of students that we have riding buses.

In closing, please remember, your child will be expected to wear a mask throughout the day as well as on the buses. He or she will also be expected to maintain social distance from his/her peers while on school grounds. Failure to adhere to this guidance will place our entire district at risk of closure.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during these challenging times.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Reiser
Superintendent