

Superintendent's Outdial - June 18, 2020

Dear CCUSD families,

Our three committees that are focused on how we reopen our schools this August are meeting multiple times per week to keep up with the changing pandemic landscape. There are over 50 people: staff, parents and experts that are contributing to this effort. The Return to School Team has been vetting and considering three academic choices for students: A return to brick and mortar school with certain safety protocols; an online option; and a hybrid model if minimum groups sizes are mandated by the state.

The Logistics for Reopening Schools Committee and its 8 subgroups are examining feasibility of the safety protocols we would be able to put in place for the option to return to brick and mortar school. The subgroups are Transportation, PPE and Sanitation, Calendar and Classroom Schedules, Essential vs Non-Essential Visitors, Clubs and Athletics and Communication. We have already ordered hand sanitizer for classrooms, ionization/sprayers to sanitize classes and busses, other cleaning supplies, masks and thermometers.

The Social Emotional Well-being Committee is working on how they can support students and staff with needs that have been exacerbated by isolation and fears of the pandemic.

This past Monday, a survey was sent to all parents to provide input to the Return to School Team and a staff survey will be sent out next week. Our Return With Excellence Plan is being drafted as we navigate and absorb new information being released in Arizona. Unfortunately, we are aware that our parent email system did not send out the parent survey to all email addresses as it should have. If you have not done the parent survey, please access it on the front of the CCUSD website.

We will continue to update you with more frequency as we determine safe and supportive options for our students to return to school on August 5th.

Sincerely,

Debbi Burdick, Ed. D. Superintendent