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Dear Parents:

The opening of school is upon us and the staff have put together a good plan to safely educate your students. We have spent more than a week of intense workshop days working on many of the big topics and the little ones. While we have addressed many of your questions and concerns, we also know more will pop up and we will take them one day at a time.

Like many of you, we have experienced a good deal of anxiety and even frustration as plans have changed by necessity after more information became available. For some parents, the decision to send their students to school or to choose remote learning is a difficult one and the remote plan may take additional time and planning. Having said this, there will be some changes to the remote learning from this past spring that we will communicate with parents choosing that option. We want everyone to be safe and healthy, but at the same time want to provide rigor and expectations for academic work and attendance.

Here are some of the highlights of the preparation that has been ongoing for several weeks:

- the creation of 4-6 outdoor classroom spaces
- a middle school block schedule (blue and white) to minimize student movement
- changing two lunches to three to meet social distance requirements
- adding classroom staff for remote learning options and support
- developing traffic patterns around the school that minimize student contact
- creation of staff pods to work collaboratively
- posting updates on the school Website and Facebook pages
- meeting with health officials to craft protocols and practices

We are all looking forward to getting back to school. We look forward to seeing students doing schoolwork, laughing with their friends and playing out at recess. Thank you for all your support as we enter a very different year.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Barry O. London'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Barry O. London
Principal/Assistant Superintendent

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