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Dear Parents & Guardians,

In my recent message on February 22, 2021, I shared that we plan for hybrid students to return to a 5 day a week in-person schedule. To better assess our ability to implement such a plan, we are asking our parents/guardians to complete the survey below with their intended preference. We will maintain the option for students to receive full remote instruction.

The New Jersey Department of Education, the New Jersey Department of Health, and the CDC guidelines recommend students and staff maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance, to the greatest extent practicable. The survey results will determine the number of students wishing to return to school 5 days a week for in-person instruction. We will then have a better idea of which classrooms will be most impacted. Following the completion of the survey, room configurations will be adjusted where possible. Before beginning a 5 day a week in-person schedule, we will notify families whose children will be in classrooms where the 6 feet of physical distance cannot easily be maintained.

Should students return to in-person school 5 days a week, we will continue to work diligently to have school environments compliant with the New Jersey Department of Health and CDC guidelines. Cleaning protocols will be in place using the highest standards of sanitation recommended. All students and staff will continue to be required to wear masks for the entire school day. Desk partitions will be utilized during snack time. Social distancing will be in place whenever possible to the greatest extent practicable. We will continue to follow COVID-19 mitigation practices. Wear a mask, maintain 6 feet of social distancing, practice good hand hygiene by washing/sanitizing your hands frequently, stay home from school if symptomatic, and complete the daily COVID-19 At-Home Screening.

Please complete the survey by clicking on the link below:

https://forms.gle/ip2m9Nz7Rx1PNU7F9

Sincerely,

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