September 4, 2020

Dear Parents and Community Members:

I know this has been a start to the school year like no other. We have worked hard throughout the summer to provide the best possible *Remote Learning 2.0* experience for all of our students. However, I understand that this experience is different and unique for each of our families. For some, it may be working out extremely well and for others there may be challenges. For those experiencing stress and challenges with *Remote Learning 2.0,* please continue to work with your teachers and principal to problem solve any areas that can be enhanced. We greatly appreciate all that you are doing at home to support learning on top of all of the other responsibilities you have.

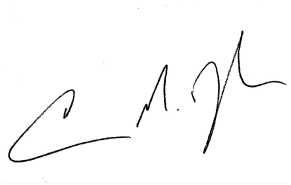
At the Board of Education meeting last night, I presented our plan to return to in-person learning. The highlights of that presentation are found below. The recording of the meeting can be found by clicking **HERE**.

SCS Responsible Restart. On July 31st, the Cuyahoga County Board of Health (CCBH) shared their recommendation that school districts in the county should start the school year remotely due to concerns with the prevalence and spread of COVID. We followed that recommendation. The CCBH also shared their desire to see sustained improvement (i.e., 4 or more weeks) in specific data markers prior to rescinding their recommendation. We have been tracking the suggested CCBH data (click **HERE**) and we are closing in on 4 weeks of sustained improvement. If these trends continue, the district will implement the *SCS Responsible Restart* plan and open schools for in-person/blended learning. Please click **HERE** to view the presentation I made to the Board of Education last night. Listed below are some notes as you review the contents of the slides.

- Slides 8 and 9 detail the **learning framework to be implemented** based on the COVID risk level for Cuyahoga County. If we are in a blended learning framework, you can click **HERE** to view the calendar designating green and white days. If you are unsure as to if your child(ren) has been assigned to a green day or white day schedule, please contact your building principal.
- Slides 10 and 11 detail the **timeline we will follow** - pending the trend data continues - to reopen our schools for blended and/or in-person learning. At this point in time, we would welcome students back on the week of **September 21st** for a phase-in week.
- Slides 12, 13, and 14 detail the process and timeline for **NEW families to enroll in SOLO**. If you are currently in *Remote Learning 2.0* and would like to enroll in the SOLO program, as you do not want your child to participate in in-person learning, please click **HERE** to enroll no later than Friday, September 11, 2020 by 4PM. **Note.** *Disregard this survey if you are already in the SOLO program or if you plan to remain in Remote Learning 2.0, Blended, or In-Person learning.*
- Slide 15 provides updates on **transportation services**.

As we go through the next two weeks, our focus will continue to be on providing an engaging and impactful *Remote Learning 2.0* experience for our students and families, as well as finalizing our transition to in-person learning. As always, please continue to reach out to your building administrators, your teachers, or me if we can be of any further help. You can also access our *Responsible Restart* webpage for additional details and resources on our reopening plans.

Sincerely,



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Superintendent