

July 12, 2020

Good afternoon,

Last week our administrative team, custodial, maintenance, and support staff members continued planning logistical and academic scenarios which included classroom configurations that can be found in this week's presentation to the school board. At the July 16th board meeting, we will overview a hybrid model that involves students attending school some days and learning from home other days each week. In addition, Dr. Patrick J Brennan, Chief Medical Officer and Senior Vice President of the University of Pennsylvania Health System will make remarks about the opening of schools. And, our administrative team will provide an overview of Haverford Online.

At the July 9th school board meeting, we had the opportunity to hear from Sarah Smathers, System Director of Infection Prevention and Control, CHOP. Ms. Smathers is also a resident and parent in the District. In addition, an update on the opening of the 2020-21 school year planning process was also presented to the board. We have included these two video portions of the meeting below. And, our High School administrators presented the PK-12 Pre-season Athletics Health and Safety Plan, you can find it under the Athletics tab on our Haverford Opening page [here](#) on our website.

Presentation Links:

[In-person instruction during a pandemic -- Sarah Smathers, System Director of Infection Prevention and Control, CHOP](#)

[Haverford Opening Communication Update Presentation Video July 9, 2020 - Dr. Reusche](#)

In order to provide parents/guardians more information about Haverford Online, we are waiting until July 17th to issue the parent/guardian survey that was noted in the July 2nd communication. We continue to explore the best way to communicate, to take questions, provide answers, and assist parents. After the survey results are analyzed, the District must reallocate staff and adjust student schedules, and then there will be a registration period for Haverford Online.

The July 17th agenda will also include a presentation from our Belonging and Sociocultural Identities in Schools team. They will provide an update on the work that we were able to engage in throughout the year as well as what is planned for next year.

Please continue to check our website for updated information on the opening of the 2020-21 School Year. If you have questions about the opening of the 2020-2021 school year, you can email OpeningHaverford@haverfordsd.net. A FAQ section has been added to our website and can be accessed [here](#).

In this challenging time of tremendous uncertainty, we appreciate your understanding that we are all working to do the very best for our students, their families, and our staff while creating different models which we believe we will need to use throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Maureen Reusche, Ed.D

Superintendent