

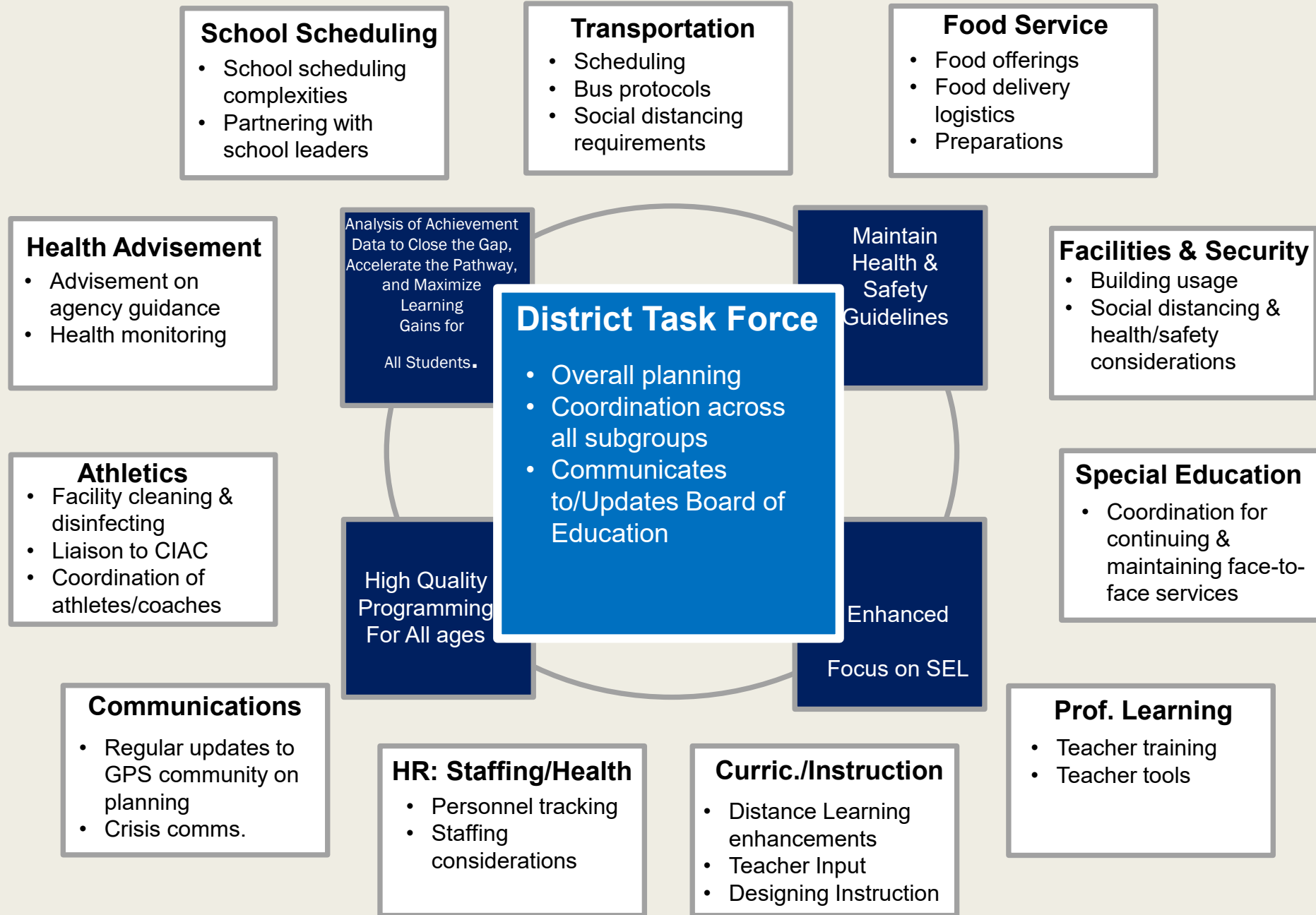


GREENWICH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

RETURN TO SCHOOL PLANNING

July 14, 2020

Greenwich Public Schools: 2020 Return to School Planning Team



Task Force Meetings

- ✓ Task Force June 25, 2020
- ✓ Task Force June 30, 2020
- ✓ Task Force July 2, 2020
- ✓ Task Force July 7, 2020
- ✓ Task Force July 9, 2020
- ✓ Task Force July 14, 2020
- Task Force July 16, 2020

Focus Group Input

- ✓ Return to School Q & A in Spanish: July 8, 2020 10:00 am
- ✓ Special Education Focus Group: July 9, 2020 12:30 pm
- ✓ Elementary Teacher Focus Group: July 9, 2020 2:00 pm
- ✓ Secondary Teacher Focus Group: July 10, 2020 2:00 pm
- ✓ Specialists Teacher Focus Group : July 13, 2020 1:00 pm
- PTAC Input Session: : July 15, 2020 2:00 pm

- ✓ **Question and Answers Input 445 Contributions as of July 14, 2020**

Teachers and Staff Survey

806 Teachers

262 Staff

Family Survey

6,044 responded

If conditions remain the same as they are today, how comfortable are you returning 5 days a week, with classes 20+, and social distancing to the best of our ability?

Parents/Guardians (n=6044)	Elementary	Middle School	High School	Grand Total
Very Comfortable	30%	29%	31%	30%
Somewhat Comfortable	28%	28%	31%	29%
A little comfortable	19%	20%	19%	19%
Not at all comfortable	<u>23%</u>	<u>23%</u>	<u>19%</u>	<u>22%</u>
Grand Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

Certified Staff (n=804)	Elementary	Middle Schools	High School	Grand Total
Very Comfortable	12%	10%	12%	11%
Somewhat Comfortable	25%	17%	20%	22%
A little comfortable	25%	27%	21%	24%
Not Comfortable	<u>39%</u>	<u>46%</u>	<u>47%</u>	<u>43%</u>
Grand Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

Non-Certified (n=261)	Para-professional	Administrative/ Clerical	Custodial	Food Service	IT support	Other	Grand Total
Very Comfortable	18%	27%	25%	11%	8%	23%	21%
Somewhat Comfortable	26%	30%	31%	33%	17%	33%	28%
A little comfortable	22%	23%	25%	33%	58%	23%	25%
Not Comfortable	<u>34%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>19%</u>	<u>22%</u>	<u>17%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>26%</u>
Grand Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
n=	88	16	9	12	106	30	261

Q3. Given my current health or concern status, I would prefer to become part of a digital learning team working with students and their families who do not want to re-enter school until there is a vaccine or treatment. I would become part of the digital GPS team knowing that live teaching, video recording, and high-quality project learning would be provided by me. I understand that TEPL if required by the state for all staff, would be based on Distance Learning.

(**Currently the CSDE is stating that a “remote option” must be available for those families who are not prepared to come back physically to school).

Q4. Given my current health or concern status, if schools return to normal in September with minimal social distancing on buses and other areas, I would feel uncomfortable returning to work and may need to seek medical guidance for leave.

<u>Combined answers of Q3 and Q4</u>		
Planning on coming back with no reservations	241	30%
Interested in Remote Teaching Only	84	10%
Interested in BOTH Remote Teaching and Medical Leave	<u>89</u>	<u>11%</u>
<i>Available for Teaching</i>	414	52%
<i>Unsure</i>	303	38%
<i>Potentially Unavailable - Interested in Medical Leave Only</i>	<u>86</u>	<u>11%</u>
Total Respondents	803	100%

2020-2021

GPS is committed to enhancing the **Remote Learning** instructional model

More Live Teaching

More Succinct School Schedule

Better Sound Quality for Instruction

Teacher Access to Tools

Enhancement of the Google Platform

Teacher Preparedness

If schools are not open every day for in-person learning, I feel prepared to provide a combination of live teaching, teacher video, and collaborative platforms and project-based learning using distance tools. Live teaching will be conducted via Google Meets.

- Very Prepared 221 27%
- Somewhat Prepared 488 61%
- Not Prepared 95 12%

School Calendar Adjustment

Time for Professional Learning

Calendar adjustment for 2020-2021 is being considered

Initial proposal: Start on September 3rd with Orientations and all students on the 4th

After Board of Education discussion:

New draft proposal starts Orientation on the 8th and all students on September 9th

Parent/Guardian Survey

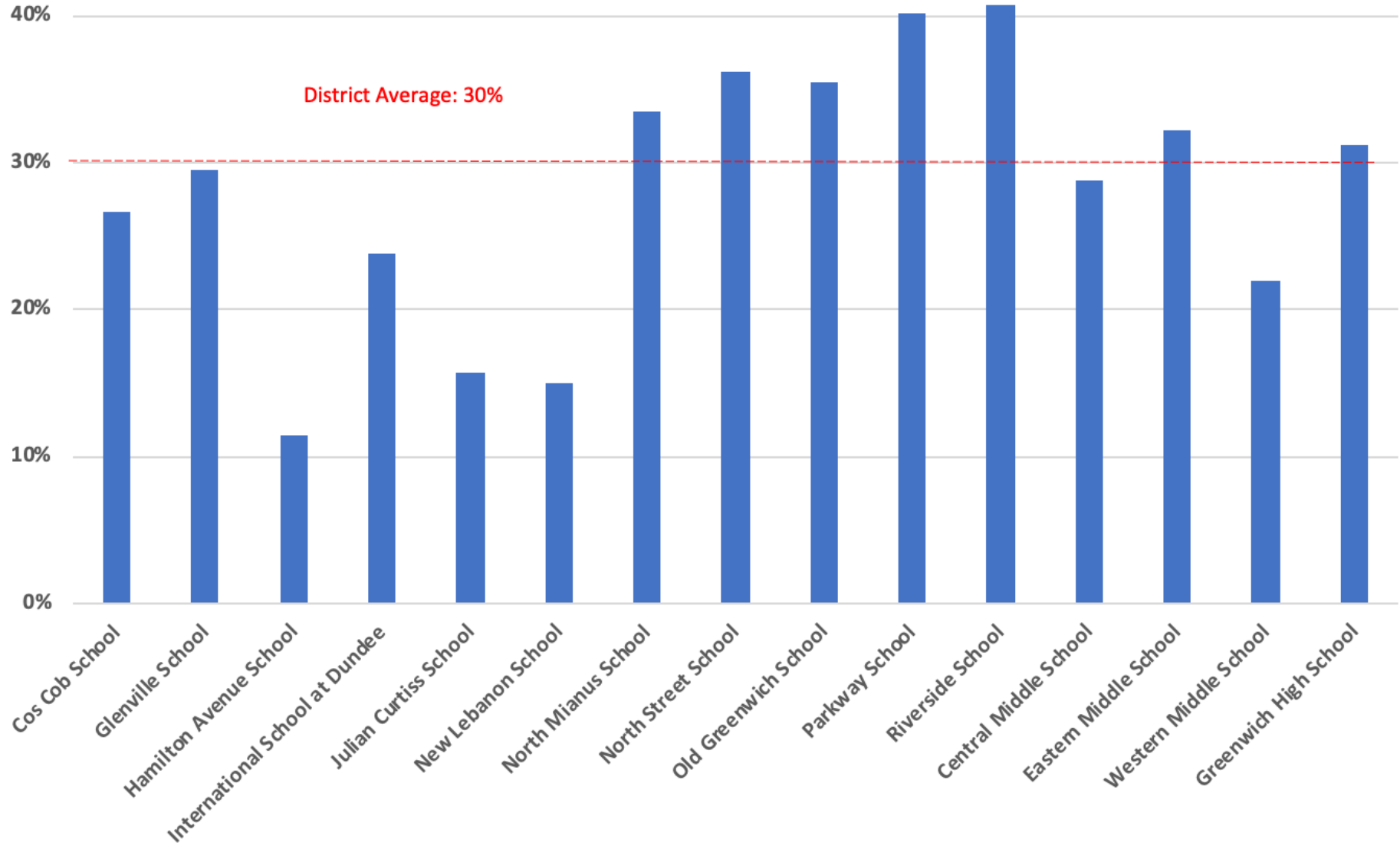
1 response per student

Closed today, July 13

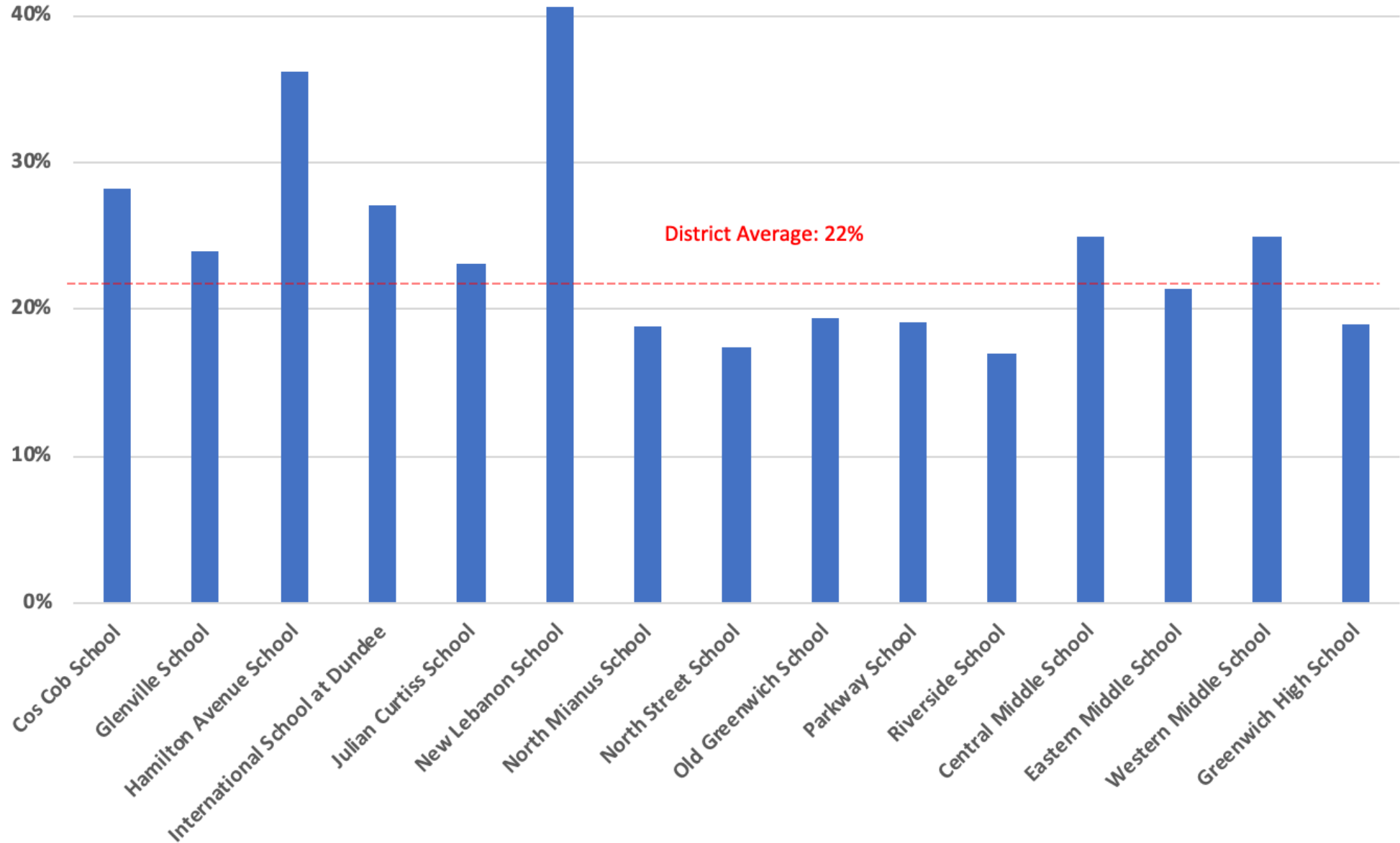
Responses for 6,044 students

Q1: How comfortable are you sending your child back to 5 days, class 20+?

Answer: Very Comfortable (n=6044)



**Q1: How comfortable are you sending your child back to 5 days, class 20+?
Answer: Not at all comfortable (n=6044)**



(Sorted on Mandatory Response)	Mandatory/ Must Have	Would Like	Too Much/ Excessive	Unsure/ No opinion
Students and staff regularly wash hands	87%	12%	1%	1%
Hand sanitizer is provided in each classroom	86%	12%	1%	1%
Notice sent to all families in building if any student or staff member has a positive Covid test	76%	16%	5%	2%
School buses run at half capacity	76%	16%	5%	2%
Students and staff are required to wear masks when entering and leaving the building *Mandated by state on 6/29/20	64%	21%	11%	5%
Students have their own personal supplies (e.g. art, writing)	58%	30%	8%	4%
Students and staff temperatures are checked before entering the school	57%	26%	14%	4%
Students and staff wear masks when interacting outside their social cluster	45%	30%	20%	6%
Students and staff wear masks at all times while inside the school building *mandated by state on 6/29/20	37%	22%	36%	5%
Students only interact with a fixed cluster of children and adults	32%	41%	20%	7%
The number of students in each class is reduced by 50% (which will require a rotating part-distance schedule)	28%	36%	27%	8%

Can you drive your child to school if Bus Capacity is limited to 12 students? (Bus riders only)

	Students who ride the Bus	
No	364	18%
Unsure	387	19%
Yes	1236	62%
Grand Total	1987	100%

Desired Instructional Enhancements

If we continue with learning at home in the fall, we want to improve the distance learning experience for students and families. Which THREE of the following supports do you feel would be most helpful for your child learning at home? (please select no more than THREE.)

- Higher Ratio of live interaction 4,499 74%
- Pre-Recorded video lessons that can be watched at any time 2,988 49%
- More social interaction with classmates online 2,222 37%
- Higher quality lesson plans 2,204 36%
- More access to teachers when my child has questions 2,006 33%

Health Practices and Protocols

Waiting on more guidance for
decision trees from the CSDE

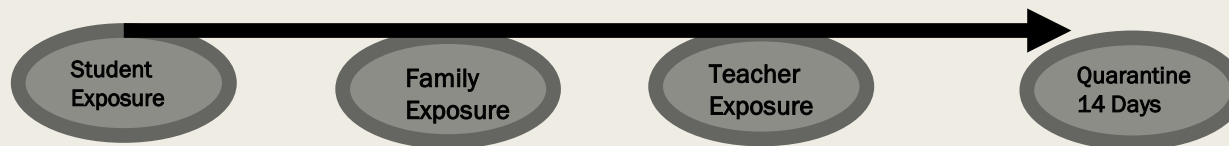
Health Practices and Protocols

What happens is a student has a parent who tests positive?

Student quarantines for 14 days

What happens if a teacher has a family member who tests positive?

Teacher quarantines for 14 days



Health Practices and Protocols

What happens if a student tests positive?

Student quarantines for 14 days

Cohort quarantines for 14 days

School quarantines for 14 days

What happens if a teacher tests positive?

Student quarantines for 14 days

Cohort quarantines for 14 days

School quarantines for 14 days

Remote Learning School

- A remote option will be available for families who choose not to return face to face in the buildings. ***Required by the CSDE
- Those who choose Remote Learning School will need a two week notice to re-enter in order to make sure that the school has adequate space and an in-person schedule for secondary learners
- Families will receive information in the coming weeks about this option

More Discussion and Planning

- BOE Meeting, July 16th, 7:00 pm
- Planning Team Meeting, July 16th, 10:00 am
- PTAC Focus Group, July 15th