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Important Fall 2020 - School Programming Selection

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DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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Thank you for your patience as we plan for the Fall of 2020. Together, we've been navigating this changing landscape since March and will continue to work to provide a Dexter Community Schools education to all of our students while meeting individual student and family needs.

Over the past several weeks, we've hosted opportunities to learn about and provide feedback on the DCS Fall Plan. We have appreciated the open channel of communication with families as it has provided us with valuable feedback to shape the **final plan**.

We know it is an overwhelming amount of information and the decision seems daunting. Please know that whatever choice you make, DCS will work to support your student and family.

We've received feedback, recognize confusion, and understand the differing needs by parents regarding the amount of synchronous (real-time instruction) and asynchronous (students work on their pace on their schedule) instruction in the homebased model. Please know that DCS is committed to working to meet the needs of all families.

Webinar for More Information: An additional major point of feedback was a request for information that is individualized by building. In response, we're offering an opportunity for parents to learn more about the options available at each building. On Wednesday, August 12th at 6:00 p.m., we will host a large zoom overview and a scheduled time for each building to answer questions. The approximate time for each specific building is included below:

- General Overview - 6:00 - 6:15 p.m.
- Anchor/Beacon/Wylie - 6:15 - 6:40 p.m.
- Creekside - 6:40 - 6:55 p.m.
- Mill Creek - 6:55 - 7:10 p.m.
- DHS - 7:10 - 7:25 p.m.
- 5-minute break 7:25 - 7:30 p.m.
- Special Education Family questions - 7:30 p.m. (we ask that no one records and shares the video to protect the privacy of students)

You may join the webinar for all or part of it. You must register in advance for this webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_k-f9djHsSrWyNqiFKknpkQ

Survey and program selections are due Sunday, August 16th. This will allow us to process the requests and data on Monday to accommodate parental requests. Please be assured that whatever decision you make, DCS will work with families to support you and your children throughout this school year while we all navigate this situation together. The survey is available using this link: <https://forms.gle/ABU7nM3Lt6G5qbFq9>

While we know parents will have questions, we want to let you know that our entire leadership team has been working countless hours all summer building the plan for Fall. Next week, our team will be reworking class lists, reassigning staff, and working countless hours to make this shift prior to September 8th. **If you have questions, please know that emails and messages sent after Friday afternoon may not receive a response prior to the deadline of Sunday night. This is due to the massive number of messages the administrative team is receiving and responding to at this time.**

Thank you for your continued support, take care, and Go Dreads!

Sincerely,
Christopher Timmis, Ed.D.
Superintendent