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Howdy folks!

As you may have seen or heard, the Texas Attorney General issued an opinion earlier today that says local health officials do not have the authority to close down schools.

While this will have no impact on our Brazos County schools because their health department has not issued any directive, it does impact our schools in Dallas, Tarrant, and Harris Counties. The Texas Education Agency had previously ruled and given us the authority to open school virtually for up to the first eight weeks of school. However, ILTexas had decided to follow the advice of the local health authorities.

With today's AG opinion, in order for us to comply with TEA rules, we must ensure that every student has both a computer and access to the internet in order to provide 100% virtual instruction.

We have enough computers, but we do not have enough individual internet access points for use by those students who do not have access at home. Therefore, for those families who do not have internet access, we will provide internet access in the gyms at each of our campuses. Students will have assigned seats in the gym and will be monitored by a campus administrator and Instructional aides. The teachers will deliver instruction 100% virtually as per the health recommendation provided by each county health department. Again, the teachers will not be on campus.

As of today, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 100% virtual instruction will be provided to all of our students in Dallas and Harris counties until September 8<sup>th</sup>, and for Tarrant County until September 28<sup>th</sup>.

After those dates, the teachers will be back on campus to deliver in-person instruction for those who have currently chosen Option 3.

If you chose Option 1 or 2, you will be allowed to be served in those options for the remainder of the school year.

Every parent will be allowed to choose a different option during the 5<sup>th</sup> week of every six-week grading period.

I wanted to get this fresh information to you today. Please know that this is about the 7<sup>th</sup> major change from the state in as many weeks.

We are trying our best to keep you informed and unfortunately, I expect the state to make several more changes before school starts virtually on August 13<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you and have a fantastic ILTexas day!