

Suffield Public Schools

School Reopening Status 2020-2021



October 26, 2020

Presentation Outline

- Purpose of Survey
- Survey Results
- Area School District Information
- Discussion of Operational Status
- Health Metrics and Definitions

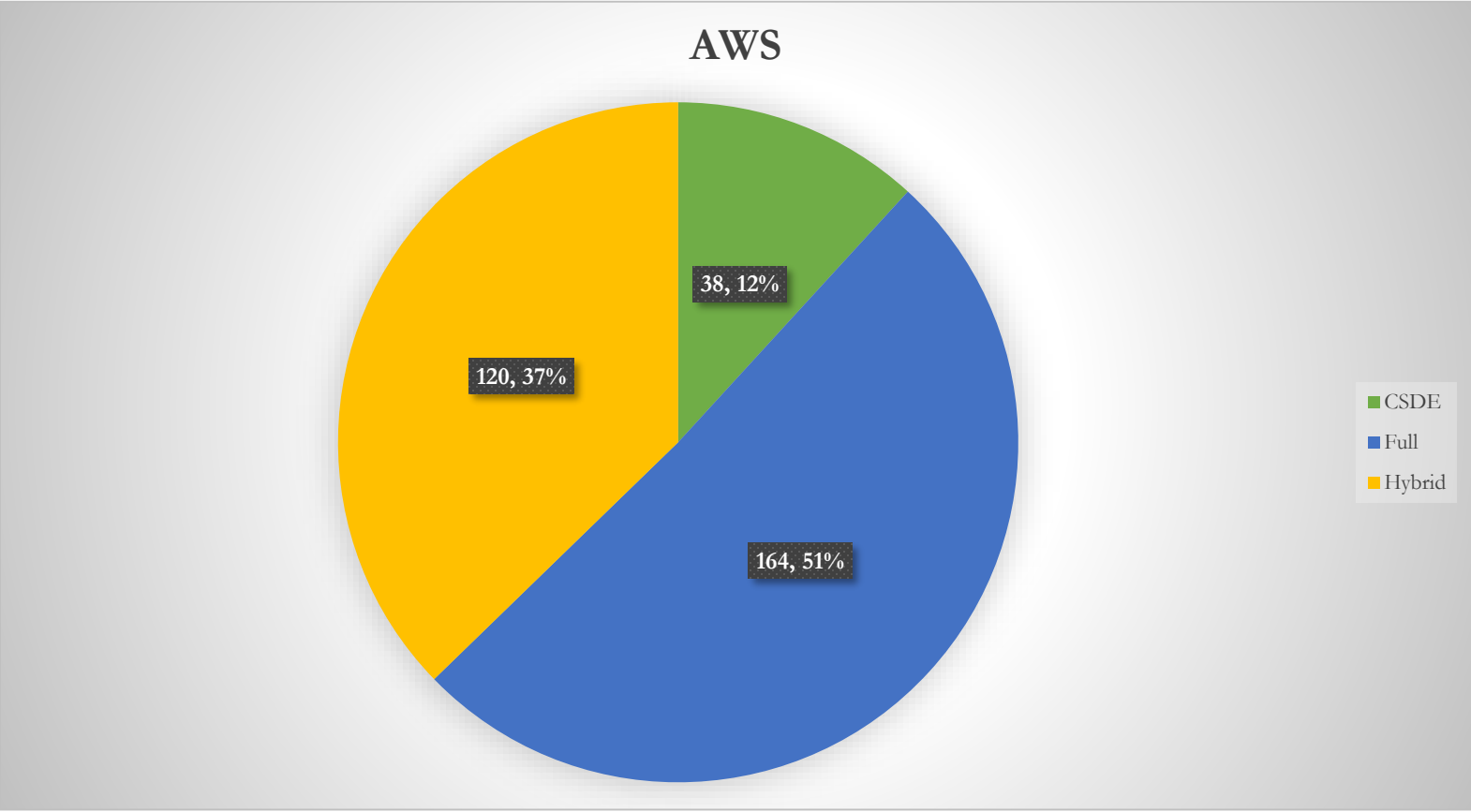


Purpose of Survey

- Gather Stakeholder Feedback
- Inform Decision-making
- Promote Transparency
- Maintain Open Communication



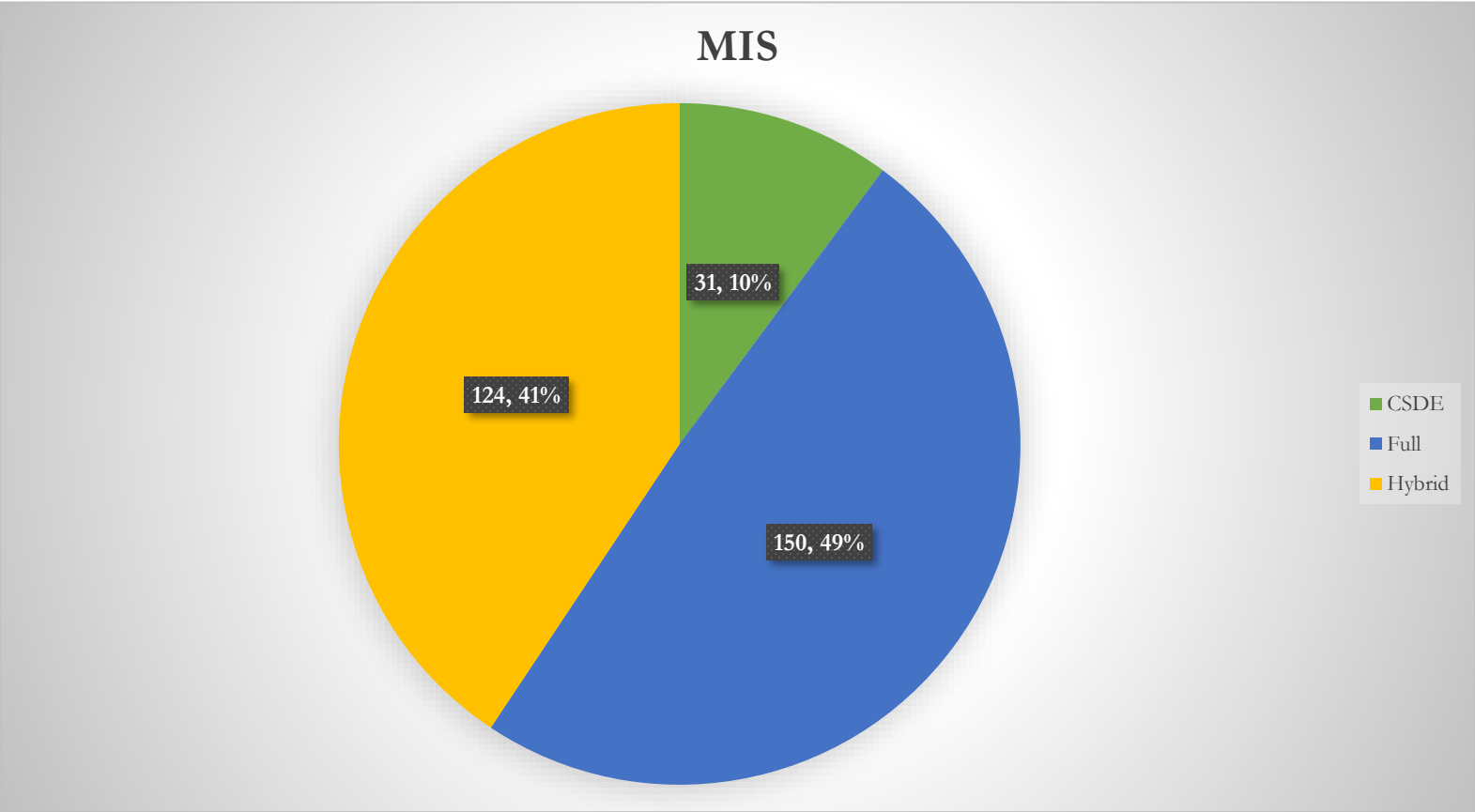
Survey Results - AWS



Key Takeaways

- 49% Hybrid/CSDE TDLO
- 51% Full-in
- 84% Hybrid (Faculty and Staff)

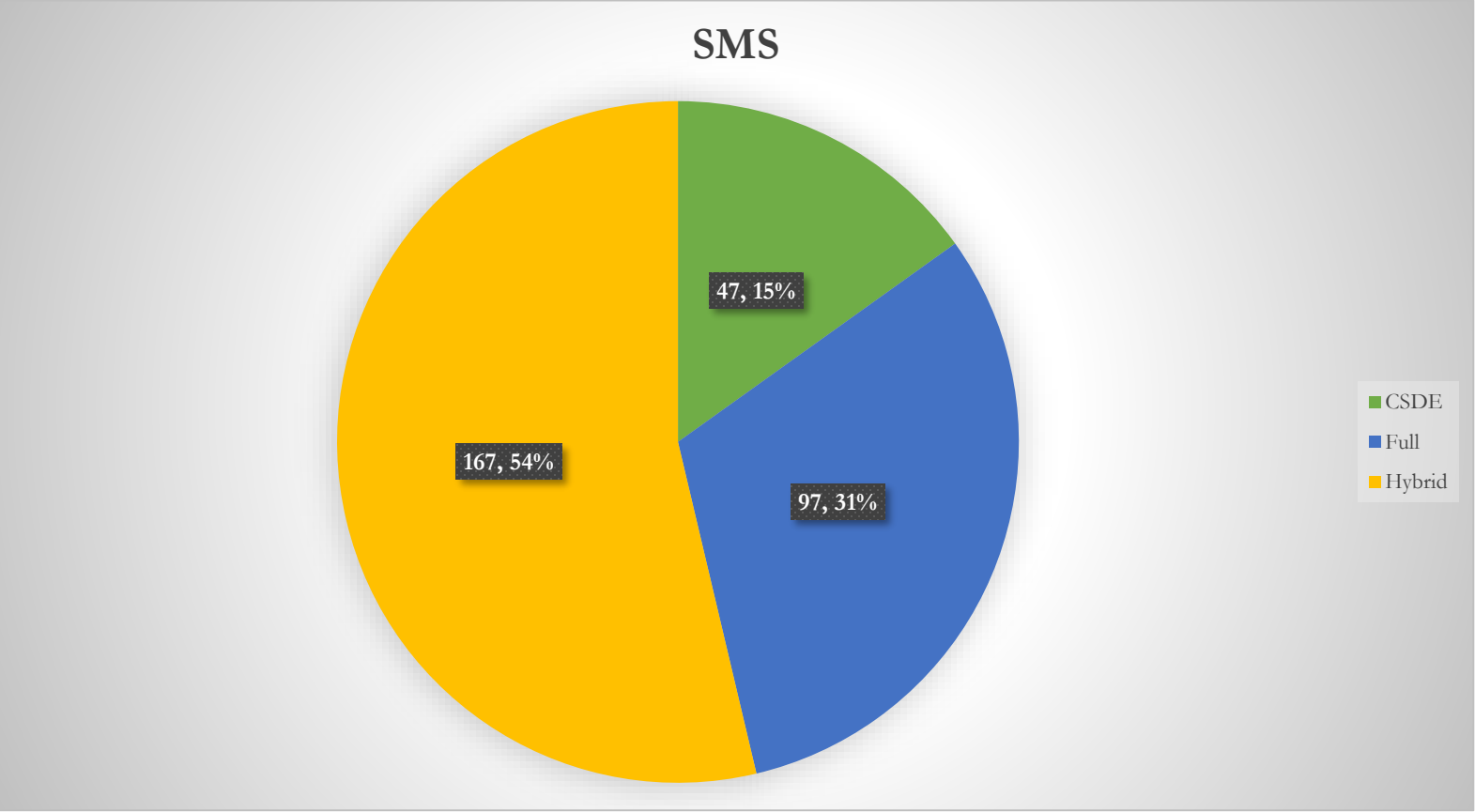
Survey Results - MIS



Key Takeaways

- 51% Hybrid/CSDE TDLO
- 49% Full-in
- 83% Hybrid
(Faculty and Staff)

Survey Results - SMS



Key Takeaways

- 69% Hybrid/CSDE TDLO
- 31% Full-in
- 84% Hybrid
(Faculty and Staff)

Area School District Information



DISTRICT	HYBRID MODEL	FULL IN PERSON	NOTES
Avon		X	All grades in-person; 18% fully remote
Bloomfield	X	X	PreK only in person; all other grades hybrid; 44% fully remote
Canton		X	All grades in-person; 13% fully remote
East Granby		X	All grades in-person; 16% fully remote
East Hampton		X	All grades in-person; 11% fully remote
East Windsor	X		All grades hybrid; 31% fully remote
Ellington		X	All grades in-person; 22% fully remote
Enfield	X		Hybrid until November 6 th at least; 30% fully remote
Farmington	X	X	PreK-8 full in-person; 9-12 hybrid; 27% fully remote
Glastonbury	X	X	PreK-5 in-person; 6-12 hybrid; 19% fully remote
Granby		X	All grades in-person; 15% fully remote
Simsbury	X	X	PreK-8 full in-person; 9-12 hybrid; 17% fully remote
Somers	X	X	Elementary full in person starting 10/19; 6-12 hybrid and will revisit on 11/1; 12% fully remote
South Windsor	X	X	K-5 full in person w/ 90 min. early release each day; 6-12 hybrid 2/3 split schedule; 33% fully remote
Stafford	X		M/T/Th/F (PK-5); hybrid (6-12); 22% fully remote
Suffield	X		All grades hybrid; 20% fully remote
Tolland	X	X	PreK-5 full in person; 6-12 hybrid; 12% fully remote
Vernon	X	X	PreK-5 full in person; 6-12 hybrid; 26% fully remote
West Hartford	X		All grades hybrid; 16% fully remote
Windham	X		All grades hybrid; 38% fully remote
Windsor	X		All grades hybrid (anticipate full in-person starting 11/9); 34% fully remote
Windsor Locks	X	X	Elementary in full; 6-12 hybrid (alternating full weeks); 32% fully remote

Discussion of Operational Status



- Considerations (K-8)
 - Upward Trend # New Cases 100,000/14 day Average
 - County Metric October 19: 11.56 “Hybrid Learning”
 - County Metric October 22: 12.34 “Hybrid Learning”
 - Suffield Metric October 19: 3.61
 - Suffield Metric October 22: **5.87**
 - 6 Confirmed Cases in SPS over 7 day period
 - Parent Feedback:
 - AWS: 49% (Hybrid & CSDE TDLO)
 - MIS: 51% (Hybrid & CSDE TDLO)
 - SMS: 69% (Hybrid & CSDE TDLO)
 - Faculty/Staff Feedback
 - AWS: 84% Hybrid
 - MIS: 83% Hybrid
 - SMS: 84% Hybrid



Discussion of Operational Status



- **What does it take to consider Full In-person (K-5)?**
 - Rationale:
 - Downward Trend over 2 Week Period (in both)
 - County Metric (9 or below)
 - Suffield Metric (**4 or below**)
 - Substitute Threshold
 - No more than 15 per district
 - No more than 10 per school
 - **Subject to North Central District Health Department, CSDE, or Governor's Directives on Operational Status of School Districts**
- **What does it take to consider Full Distance (K-12)?**
 - Rationale:
 - Upward Trend over 2 Week Period (in both)
 - County Metric (25 or higher)
 - Suffield Metric (**15 or higher**)
 - Substitute Threshold
 - More than 15 per district
 - More than 10 per school

Health Metrics and Definitions



- Close Contact
 - Revised Definition (CDC – October 21, 2020)
 - Definition
 - Someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period* starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to test specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.
 - *Individual exposures added together over a 24-hour period (e.g., three 5-minute exposures for a total of 15 minutes). Data are limited, making it difficult to precisely define “close contact;” however, 15 cumulative minutes of exposure at a distance of 6 feet or less can be used as an operational definition for contact investigation. Factors to consider when defining close contact include proximity (closer distance likely increases exposure risk), the duration of exposure (longer exposure time likely increases exposure risk), whether the infected individual has symptoms (the period around onset of symptoms is associated with the highest levels of viral shedding), if the infected person was likely to generate respiratory aerosols (e.g., was coughing, singing, shouting), and other environmental factors (crowding, adequacy of ventilation, whether exposure was indoors or outdoors). Because the general public has not received training on proper selection and use of respiratory PPE, such as an N95, the determination of close contact should generally be made irrespective of whether the contact was wearing respiratory PPE. At this time, differential determination of close contact for those using fabric face coverings is not recommended.*
- Updated District Process for Identifying Close Contacts
 - Review of Close Contacts with North Central District Health Department
 - Classroom Quadrants (Secondary)