

Communication September 17, 2020



Good evening DCS Family,

We have important information to share with families this evening regarding the Governor's announcement today and how his announcement affects Davie County Schools moving forward. Governor Cooper announced today that NC public schools will be allowed to bring back K-5th grade students in Plan A as early as October 5. The governor's announcement states that Plan A will have social distance requirements and mask requirements, but does not have capacity restrictions, which means classrooms are permitted to be fully occupied. The governor's announcement includes K-5th grade students only, but still presents districts with a lot to consider. While it is our overall goal to bring students back to in-person learning in Plan A, when that decision is made it will take many process changes. Even when planned for, it will take some time to actually make the transition. And as always, our priority will remain to protect and maintain the safety and security of every child and staff member.

What does this mean for Davie County Schools? Davie County Schools will remain in Plan B and we are working on a timeline to bring all K-5 students back to school together. This course of action is in the best interests of all students and staff. We are one of the select districts who are in Plan B and have been in school buildings since August 17. We believe that in-person learning is the best educational environment for the vast majority of children, but we must carefully enter Plan A.

DCS Virtual is still in place and 2020-21 students of DCS Virtual will remain on their plan, committing to one year in DCS Virtual.

The Board of Education and district leadership will be discussing next steps. As the Governor and Secretary Cohen stated today, any transition must be thoughtfully carried out to protect our students and staff members. More information will come soon as we continue to discuss and plan. Thank you for your patience, support and understanding. Have a great evening!