

## 1.5.21 Public Comment-rev1

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1/4/2021 20:21:39	Emma Smith	<p>Hello,</p> <p>I respectfully suggest that District 205 needs to do more to retain top management talent by creating a positive and empowered work environment.</p> <p>Consider the human resources director that D205 recently poached from Beverly Hills Unified School District. Over winter break, he could have been at a staff Christmas party doing shots with Sandra Bullock's daughter's fourth-grade teacher. Instead, he is in Elmhurst forced to dodge calls and avoid e-mails from teachers asking about FMLA.</p> <p>Working conditions like that are not how you hold on to great people.</p> <p>Regards, Emma Smith</p>
1/5/2021 9:13:31	Michael Lenardi	<p>Can you please provide communication to the students and families regarding the plan to recoup the lost instructional time throughout the school year thus far? I do not believe that there has been ample discussion or communication that has been shared with the public on this topic. Has there been a date established as a return to full, in-person learning in an effort to normalize and catch up? If so, I don't believe that it has been shared. Lastly, has there been discussion about extending the school year in an effort to try and catch up on lost curriculum and lost in-person instruction and interactions? We are nearly a year into this scenario and believe that students and families have a right to more transparency on these topics as the largest and most impacted stakeholders.</p>
1/5/2021 11:28:14	Erin Danielson	<p>Dear School Board,</p> <p>Please consider including Wednesday's in the hybrid learning schedule for elementary school children. Even a few additional days in person per month per child would make a difference. Please consider incorporating a schedule that allows for 3 days a week in person for Group A and 2 days a week in person for Group B, then switch every other week. If there are reasons that the Board feels this cannot be supported, please explain and share this with parents, as many are not clear.</p> <p>Also, please consider implementing a full time in person plan ASAP for especially young learners, utilizing any available open space in schools (lunchroom, etc). These 5, 6 and 7 year old children have the hardest time with e learning attention spans, and I'm sure the challenges for these teachers to maintain hybrid will be the greatest. We are coming up on one full year for these youngest children being remote; and only being in person less than a dozen times.</p> <p>Parents undoubtedly have taken on the role of supplemental teachers, or if working, had to drop out of the work force or hire childcare to support remote learning this entire time, as it is not possible for this age child to operate independently. Seminars that teach how to improve e learning still do not help eliminate the need to act as a constant supervisor. Please seriously consider a different plan for grades K-1 at a minimum.</p> <p>Thank you, Erin Danielson</p>
1/5/2021 16:15:07	Greg Lind	<p>What has district done to plan on kids going back in person. Have we eliminated the 6 ft rule. Has district obtained more medical advisors to assist. What is district plan if union refused to come back. There better be a plan to stop or reduce teacher's pay if they refuse. Time for board to represent the parents/ citizens and quit bowing to the union!!!!</p>
1/5/2021 17:39:08	Anthony Angel	<p>Can you explain to the students why Wednesday's were extended until 2:15?</p>