



October 23, 2020

Dear SHS Families,

We are so grateful to have successfully navigated the first 7 weeks of school together, under the new and challenging conditions as a result of COVID-19. Our community has responded with characteristic enthusiasm and supported our Sterling Safe plans with the common goal of opening school, building new habits and modifying processes along the way, in order to maintain a safely operating campus for everyone. Thank you for being such incredible partners!

Our planning always benefits from family feedback and so we reach out to you with two goals for your input:

1. We would like to learn families' choices for each boy's learning - either remote or on-campus - for the remaining weeks of the term.
2. We would also appreciate survey feedback regarding pick-up and drop-off systems, along with your impressions of our curricular organization to date.

Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts and expectations with us.

### **On-Campus or Remote Learning Choice**

#### Special Context for the December Learning Period

We recognize that December is an unusual month, given the Winter Break at month's end. With COVID-19 in play, we recognize that some families may opt to have their boys attend school remotely for the final 2 weeks of term in order to safely isolate them prior to engaging in extended family gatherings over the holiday season. For this reason, we have provided another variable within the options below.

Please share with us your plans for your son's learning experience from November through December. This will help us in our preparations.

#### ***Planning options below for Session 2:***

**Option 1:** Full On-Campus program from November 2 - December 17



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**Option 2:** Blend of On-Campus program from November 2 to December 4 and Remote Learning program from December 7 - 17

**Option 3:** Full Remote Learning program from November 2 - December 17

**Please confirm your intentions for your son(s) on the online form by October 26.**

The form can be found on your Online Forms page through the [Parent Portal](#) on the SHS website. We have timetabled the school year into four sessions and we require confirmation in advance of each session should families wish to change from remote learning to on-campus learning.

*Winter Break dates for reference:*

Classes end: Thursday, December 17 at 3:30PM

Classes resume: Tuesday, January 5 at 8:30AM

### **Parent Survey**

We are grateful for the ongoing health of our community members and know that it is in part due to the ongoing vigilance of our community members.

We want to learn more about your experience of our drop-off and pick-up processes, as well as some of your impressions of our curriculum organization in this latest iteration.

Please complete a short Parent Survey. The survey will take 3-5 minutes to complete and is anonymous. You can fill out the survey from your perspective and complete one survey per family.

Please click [HERE](#) for the Parent Survey.

Thank you for your participation and continued feedback.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Rick Parsons  
Principal