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July 30, 2020

Mr. Robert Dracup  
740 white Pine Ct.  
Lake in the Hills, IL. 60156

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Dear Mr. Dracup:

On Wednesday, July 22, 2020, Crystal Lake School District No. 47 received a Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") Request from you via email, in which you requested the following:

- Raw data submitted in the comments section of the Parent Survey July 8-15, 2020

The information provided fulfills our obligation to your request.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 815-788-5000.

Sincerely,

Clare F. Bourne  
Freedom of Information Officer  
Crystal Lake School District 47

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**REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS**  
**PURSUANT TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (5ILCS 140)**

Date of Request: 7/22/2020

FOIA Record # \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Robert Dracup

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: 740 White Pine Ct.  
Lake in the Hills, IL 60156

Phone Number: 630.487.6089

**I HEREBY REQUEST ACCESS TO THE FOLLOWING RECORDS:**

Raw data submitted in the comments section of the Parent Survey July 8-15, 2020

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Within 5 business days of the District receiving your request, you are entitled to a response, or notice that the district is in need of addition processing time (not to exceed an additional 5 business days).When our response is complete, we will contact you.

The District’s response, including all supporting documents, and FOIA request with all submitted information, will be posted online under “Freedom of Information” on the District 47 website. District 47 provides this service as a public courtesy for no fee. Documents will be posted within 10 business days from our response to your request.

Fees will apply after the initial limited amount of black and white copies are provided. Actual cost of color or abnormal size copies will apply.

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The District’s response and records were accessed by :  In House Inspection  Pick-up  Mail  Fax  Email

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FOIA Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_



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| Responses   |
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| My child's safety and comfort is my first priority. My opinions maintaining hygienic procedures and wearing mask for 8 to 9 ( starting from 7 in the morning till 3 pm) is hard for kids. They can't concentrate on lessons. And not safe for teachers and non teaching staff too.  |
| i am open to driving her to school also if transportation is not available  |
| Full Day Return preferred   |
| A better solution:<br>Remote learning for all students who can stay home. Students who have no one at home are transported to school and are placed with a teacher. Special education classrooms have reduced numbers. These students will be transported to school to have class.<br>All will wear masks<br>All will be tested at school<br>This would stay in place until a vaccine   |
| My husband and I were planning on choosing distance learning on the survey. We are unsure what we are most comfortable with, but do not want 5 days a week in person with full class sizes at this time. For the in person learning question, we were going to pick the hybrid 2 days a week answer (if I remember correctly that was a choice for that question).<br><br>We are not yet sure what our job schedules (home vs. out of the home) will look like in the Fall, and with all of the answers what we would be most comfortable with will depend on the current COVID-19 situation. If our daughter is in in-person learning, she may have to be bused from one school to another for Extended Day due to schools sharing before and after school programs. We would prefer each school offer Extended Day at their school rather than combining schools to avoid having to take the bus. |
| We appreciate you reaching out to hear the input of families!   |
| It's a tough decision to decide what is best for fall learning! As a family we think a combination of e-learning and in person would be a good start, to keep children doing both, in case of any further complications with the virus, and may reduce some risk exposure vs. full time attendance. It also could be hard for the young students to wear mask and social distance full time this fall. Whatever happens, we have confidence in the great leaders at Coventry, we know and appreciate that they will be taking all precautions possible & cleaning measures to keep the students safe.   |
| I feel more busses would be needed on a route with less capacity pre bus, 1 child per seat max.   |
| covid sucks   |
| My biggest concern is that what happens when a child get sick before they can find out he/she is sick the virus has already been spread the family is sick, it has to be in consideration that they will be in touch with a lot of people and that's not social distancing.   |
| Thank you for everything you're doing to keep our kids safe without compromising their educations.  |
| It would be helpful to coordinate with the high schools for child care reasons. Limited class sizes is my main priority with in person learning.  |

I feel that in person instruction would get lost, as teachers will be running in circles trying to get children to comply with all the rules. Also, socialization is a major aspect of kids loving to go to school. If they can not really socialize I feel that would make them dislike school even more than most children already do. Our teachers can not be expected to put their life on the line because the government needs open schools for the economy. I think our tax dollars could be used in many other ways to help make better decisions. There is a plethora of other things that could have been done, but I feel that the options we have leave most of us forced to do . In person has way too many moving parts; some of which they do not even have answers too.

If remote learning is not offered through our district we will be forced to homeschool. A homeschool program will cause financial challenges and without school support my son's education will suffer. I'm not a teacher.

I also have serious concerns about the health of our school staff.

I am in favor of having my child return to school full time as I don't feel they received (end of last yea), or will receive an adequate education remotely. Further, I sincerely hope elearning is completely revamped. To go from a full day to one 10 minute video a day was unacceptable. Specials put forth zero effort with providing links for self guided museum tours. (Example)

I hope that classrooms and buses will be disinfected every day ,and kids will be encouraged to wash hands and use hand sanitizer.

Please provide remote learning as well as in person and enhanced cleaning and ensure masks are used

I would prefer the middle school schedule to be similar to the high school schedule

No quiero que mis hijas esten en contacto con mas personas , me gustaria que nos dieran la option de educacion a distancia

If the district does go back to some form of in person learning, it would be ideal to take temps of all adults and children upon entering the building both prior to the beginning the school day as well as after lunch. The after lunchtime temps would help with any kiddos that were given Tylenol etc prior to coming to school. Just an idea

No quiero arriesgar a mis hijas prefiero que no esten en contacto con mas personas, prefiero educacion a distancia

Thank you for asking for parent feedback. We are really grateful for this. We'd like to give additional information. Our number one priority is the health and safety of our child, our family, and our educators/staff. That said, we are assuming there would be enforcement of social distancing, hand washing and face mask wearing, and more cleaning and sanitizing (as much as possible). Our ideal back to school strategy of the choices would involve a hybrid--the 2-3 day a week in-person and the remaining time using remote learning. We would prefer the later start date reconsidered. This is because the choices in the June 2020 survey results were so close. (54% start on time; 46% not starting on time) A later start for in-person instruction would allow more time to use continually evolving data before jumping in on the original start date. We would also prefer to see the decisions of parents and staff (at least for the fall) be for a term, not a trimester. A lot can change between now and November. And, we think the idea of using phases to go back to school, as proposed by Milwaukee Public Schools, would be the best choice for EVERYONE. The phases are based on data and are included here:

This is how MPS recommends classes start in the Fall:

#### Phase 1 - Virtual to Start

Classes will be entirely virtual at the beginning of the academic year. No students will be allowed in any school building.

This will happen for at least the first 30 to 45 days.

#### Phase 2 - Hybrid Learning

Students will be re-introduced to the classroom as it becomes safe to do so. Students will have two days of in-person education and three days of online classes.

Students will rotate in-person and virtual learning.

#### Phase 3 - Face-to-Face Learning

Once appropriate, all students will return to school. For those who still aren't comfortable with in-person classes, an online option will be available. Source: <https://www.tmj4.com/news/coronavirus/mps-proposing-reopening-with-no-students-in-school-buildings>

Here is the PDF, with pages 31-34 being the description of the three phases:

<http://esb.milwaukee.k12.wi.us/attachments/e1835ea4-54d8-4fa7-a427-882c9047574b.pdf>

Although I understand some parents may not have the option of staying at home with their children. I think the kids safety and the teacher safety is more important then being in a classroom setting. Even if we put camera in each classroom and having the teachers wear microphones and having online classes would be a better option. If given the option to do elearning I would definitely take that route.

I dont understand how you are going to be able to teach a kindergarten with a mask.

What is the policy going to be for screening or sending children and or teacher/staff home if they come to school sick?  
Will/How will this be caught prior to the students lining up in the morning?  
What will be the protocol if one of the students or staff has been exposed to COVID or has COVID? Does that mean everyone within that class, that grade, is sent home to quarantine for 14 days? How far down the line of does the exposure and quarantine protocols go?  
If entire classes are sent home what will that mean for the continuation of education and the potential changes of back and forth from classroom to remote and back to classroom?  
Will there be plans to have transitions in and out of the classroom go as seamlessly as possible?  
If the teacher has COVID or been exposed, will a consistent substitute be teaching remotely?  
Who will be making the determine on the safety of the return to school once someone is sent home after a case of COVID? What will be the protocol for this?  
Will students and staff that are sent home for quarantine be required to test for COVID prior to returning to school/work or to be checked out by a doctor?  
If a teacher or staff member is out sick and has a substitute how will that process work? Is this substitute on a rotation within all the schools or just within one school? What will be done to limit the exposure to the substitute and the students and staff within the school?  
What will the requirements be for social distancing? I will have a Kindergarten and a 2nd Grader with an IEP that will need help and direction. How will social distancing work? Maintaining six feet will be near impossible in these situations. What will be done to balance the safety, learning, and social well-being for both the student and the staff?  
How will the temperature through the school be managed? It is warm on the main floor at North and wearing a masks will just add to being uncomfortable making the children more likely to pull and play with their masks lessening the overall effectiveness and purpose of wearing a mask.  
I ask that you do everything possible to have our children and staff comfortable in order to best comply with guidelines.  
In addition to the cleaning protocols will the district be making investments in:  
UV Air Purifiers for all the rooms and or HVAC UV Air Purifiers  
Touch-less flushing, faucets, soap, and towel dispensers  
Hand sanitizer stations  
Floor stickers to remind children of the appropriate social distancing  
Turning off of shared water fountains  
What will be done to keep the children active, but also at a social distance? I have seen scenarios where children will be expected to be in their classrooms all day. What will be done to continue to have movement within the school and school day?  
Will the children be able to have library time? What will that look like if there is a concern with sharing supplies?

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At this time we are most comfortable with remote learning. It seems too much of a risk for my child and our families health.

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What I do will depend on the cdc recommendation at that time plus how online learning will be. My daughter is in dual language.

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I can NOT pay my bills if my kids are not in school!!! I am a ONE INCOME HOUSEHOLD & NOT having them in school could cost me MY JOB !!! PLEASE PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS TO ME :-{(

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I would love for the plan to mirror D155. Having all grades on the same plan, in school on the same days would be ideal.

For the Remote Learning option....

#1 How will children be grouped? Will North 3rd graders be with only North 3rd graders? Will schools be chunked together? If students will be chunked together, what will determine the chunking? Feeder schools for Middle School? All dual language students together? High math groups together?

#2 For PE, can D47 find a way to allow remote students free access to the driving range/miniature golf and tennis courts? Can a teacher or paraprofessional meet with groups of students at a park to do yoga, play catch, kick a ball back and forth, 4 Square, tennis?

#3 Will parents be given a directory/contact information for other students in their child's online class? It would be nice to be able to create a meet up or know who to ask.

There should be more structured remote learning program in place. There is only half an hour of instruction in a day last semester.

We may be able to provide transportation some days, but likely not all due to work schedules, and 3 students at 3 different schools.

I would prefer to have my students in school as much as possible, for academic reasons, and socialization.

I have a student with an IEP, and need to make sure that she is able to receive ALL of the services she is eligible for. Remote learning is less than ideal for providing those services.

I know that there is no right answer, and no matter what the decisions are, there will be unhappy people. I appreciate all of the work that the board is doing to ensure that they make the most appropriate decisions for our students, staff, and families.

In this situation, we absolutely will not send our child to school. This pandemic kill people.

Good luck with these and making your decisions. Better to have everyone alive and mad than dead, mad and sad.

The safety of staff, students, and the community should be paramount.

Both parents work full-time and daycare is an added expense making the situation very difficult

Kids are not able to have a mask on for more than 20 min !

i dont think in person class is a good option,kids are kids and sometimes they may forget about safety measures putting themselves on risk

I don't want remote learning for my child or myself (selfishly) as I do work full time, but I also don't want to extend or create more infection when it can be mitigated in the short term for better long term results for all. Children may have lower rates of infection or milder symptoms when infected, but some kids and faculty are immunocompromised and it isn't fair to put them in harms way for the majority to "get back to a new normal" state. Masks may be mandatory, but we're talking about fidgeting kids. Some may handle wearing them well, others may not. Thanks for reading.

Face masks can be worn by some. But let's try to take other precautions other than just masks to avoid spreading germs. The kids need to be in school with their friends and teachers and have their schedule and routine back. I have 3 kids with iep that although I try my best cannot teach them like they need to be taught.

I think breaking the class up into 2 groups with them each going 2-3 days rotating would allow to keep them spaced.

It would be nice if additional bus trips are done, so that the no of kids in the bus is controlled

I will NOT be sending my speech kid to a school or a bus that requires masks. The first sign of lack of oxygen is blue lips. With a face covering ( and not a shield) you cannot see blue lips. This is a recipe for disaster!

I am nervous about my pre-k student wearing a mask. I agree it's needed, but I've seen him struggle with breathing with it on. I further worry that if he's on a bus with it on I, that he won't be able to ask for help if he's having trouble with it on.

Children have been proven to not spread the illness. There are currently no studies that wearing a mask all day is safe for children. School should be open with no mandatory requirements just as it has been in other countries and they have done extremely well. Should be a choice for parents to choose to send their kids to school with a mask or not. Government also advises each school district to decide how to safely open for their students and staff rather than relying on the guidelines from the CDC with is what the IDPH is doing. They are just hat, guidelines.

Thanks.

I know that you will not be able to please everyone, so I think we should have options that would satisfy all. An option for in person instruction and option for remote. I am really hoping that remote learning will be more zoom lessons and face to face (through a screen) time.

transportation is the biggest concern as we have 4 adults and only 3 cars right now. we would have to rely on busing. and also if kids choose not to care about the rules and health and safety protocols. oldee children should start being more aware though so it would be just making sure theirs enough rienforcement

Why put teachers at risk? Have the jr highs go virtual and have the elementary go in person. You can focus on providing those teachers appropriate PPE. Allow compromised families to keep the k-5 kids remote if they choose.

Thank you. Keep up the great work and good luck with your planning.

I am concerned about my children who go to Husmann which has no air conditioning. I don't think it will be safe for them to wear a mask in the excessive August temperatures. It is already difficult for them to learn in that environment and then have them wear a mask too. They start a week earlier this year, so that means longer with HOT temperatures.

Schools will be a petri dish and children will not be diligent in wearing masks. WHO/CDC is not classifying COVID-19 as airborne. Would like to know how to keep my child safe and continue education.

Please use this survey. I did complete an other earlier.

Please, take the health and safety of the children and teachers into consideration!

Elearning was a fail in our household with two with iep's. They both need t be in school in a structured environment. One attends Crystal Lake Bridges Academy also.

Before my child goes back to school I fully expect that all health guidelines, requirements and protocols will be communicated to parents before they make the decisions on enrollment for their child. I expect that there would be strict guidelines about parents not sending their kids to school sick and I would expect that if we select in person instruction the level of education will not be any less than what would normally be provided for my second grader.

With so many mixed, strong opinions I'm hearing from different families, I think it's great that you're seeking parent feedback. I hope teachers and staff are given the same opportunity since they will be most effective if they are comfortable and happy. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and for all you do for our kids!!

I'm hoping D47 follows suit with other grade school districts and just uses e-learning for children who do not require childcare. If kids need computers, please provide chrome books. Our family has plenty of computers to accommodate my kids.

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| <p>Thank you for involving parents in your plans and working on a solution that considers teachers and students.</p>  |
| <p>I have children in all three schools (West, Bernotas, and Central HS), we would not be able to drive all three everyday with 2 of the schools having similar start and end times. However, I am concerned about how the buses will be made safe for students. My younger children in the past have spent a long period of time on the bus (not getting home until 4:10-4:15 when school is let out at 3:30. )</p>  |
| <p>I would want staggered classes times. Small classes. 6 foot separation. Masks.</p>   |
| <p>I believe the best option is the offer virtual learning. Allow the teacher to Zoom to their class while teaching. Offer the classroom to those students who do not have the proper learning environment at home. Other students can login and participate in the classroom teaching from home.</p>   |
| <p>thank you d47 for being aware of our childrens well being and education.</p>   |
| <p>I would like my children to wear both a mask and a face shield. I will purchase these for them. I hope that the school will allow this.</p>  |
| <p>Our child going to LMS will need district transportation, but our two going to Woods Creek will not.</p>   |
| <p>No businesses would require 20 people in a room for 6 hours, I can't believe we're considering this for our children.</p>  |
| <p>Thank you for the time and effort you are putting into this.</p>   |
| <p>If school planning meetings need to be held via zoom we should not be sending teachers and children into a classroom.</p>  |
| <p>After consideration, I'm leaning towards a 1/2 day with fewer kids option and no lunch. The focus would be academics &amp; socialization along with SPED breakout &amp; therapies for IEP kiddos.</p>  |
| <p>I am very concerned about the consistency factor. Bringing back in person learning before the pandemic is controlled means the very high potential that the kids will start back and end up having to be pulled to remote once there is a positive case in their class (which is inevitable), or once it is determined that all schools need to return to remote when we peak again (also very likely) and that the disruption again will be more detrimental than letting everyone get into a routine of remote learning from home right from the start.</p>  |
| <p>Until this virus is under control or there is a vaccine we do not want children in school it is too risky we care about their lives</p>  |
| <p>We usually depend on E.T. for before/after care. The survey did not mention if that was an option for</p>  |
| <p>If classes are half day, or if we choose attendance 2-3 days per week, does that mean classroom size will be smaller? We only feel comfortable with smaller classroom sizes, so either option mentioned above could work for our family. Also, in regards to the dual language program, what are the thoughts of learning a new language without being able to fully view the face of others and interpreting how the mouth moves with each new syllable and words spoken? Body language and expression are so important in regards to learning a new language. How will teachers work around the face mask obstacle? Thank you for all your time and efforts.</p> |

I selected remote learning as my preference but my reason was not listed among the choices. My son is not health-compromised, and I am not opposed to him wearing a mask (in fact, I encourage it). But with all the change, I think academically it's better for him to have a set schedule that is adapted to his needs so things don't fall through the cracks. If he's home doing remote learning, it's easier for me to stay on top of what is going on so I can support him at home. We can create a schedule that works best for him that allows him to get up and move to get energy out and to eat a snack when he needs it (he is underweight). I worry that physical distancing at school will mean he will have to stay in the same classroom at his desk while teachers switch rooms, or that there won't be a true lunch/recess break where they can burn off energy. I also worry that many students will be struggling with the changes and may take those frustrations out on others. He has been picked on before, and I worry that that will become worse. This is such a hard time for us all. I appreciate all the time and research you are putting into this unprecedented situation.

I don't understand how you can only have 50 people in school for meeting. But plan to bring back hundreds of kids and staff safely. It makes NO sense.

i feel they should take this year off and start fresh next year e-learning is too hard for single full time mothers.

There is not enough scientific information compiled on Covid 19 an children.

This is not the time to reopen schools. There are so many risks we are taking already just by doing our regular basic things like work and shopping. It would be difficult to track the virus if a teacher or student got infected it would spread so fast. Many of our friends have died due to the Covid19 and I had my own scare. I would refuse to let my child go to a school where I couldn't supervise myself how sanitized it is. Not only that it's nearly impossible to say it would be safe. There so many questions to this matter still. Who will provide the masks? What happens gets the virus? Who will pay for the tests? What about if a teacher or a friend dies due to the Covid? Will the children receive therapy to cope with the loss? Will it be free? So many more questions. Just too risky to put my precious children lives in the hands of strangers and a building that will be very populated. Yes the children do need to get out of the house and just feel normal again but I think that could wait until it's more safe.

We appreciate and understand how difficult it is to make decisions at this time. I would really like to see someone taking temperatures on buses and at the door - this to me seems like a frontline gate that could reduce the financial and logistic burden of other mitigation options (reducing class sizes, no encores, etc.). Consider that many buses have a second adult on them already. I understand a child may develop a fever mid day - but because the bus is the first place for many to NOT be able to social distance, perhaps it can be the first check point of access to the school.

If we have virtual learning it must be 1000% than last year. One on one interaction, any of that? Funding...with all of the increased needs - how are we paying for it? Technology- I have a soon to be 2nd grader- will they get Chrome books? How frequently are they washing hands? How will the setting be structured? I've heard students may be working in small groups - what happens if my child doesn't thrive with students in that group? Working parents need schedules in advance of curriculum that's expected to be executed at home. Honestly, I don't think we're ready to open. We don't have funding and the district doesn't have a solid plan. There are so many unknowns - and I don't want my kid to be some governmental experiment. Have we even considered teachers or have polled them? The park district had to double staff to open for summer camp - how the heck are schools going to meet sufficient staffing needs? HUGE concern.

I took this previously and stated I would like 3 days a week. But the more I think about it the more I'm concerned for my child's health and I prefer them doing elearning. However, elearning needs to be more structured and more then a couple hrs a day. Also chromebooks should be provided for all students.

The kids need the in person interaction with their teachers and other students in order to receive the best education and social developmental experiences possible.

#1 - I think something needs to be done specifically with schools with no ac if masks are required and Temps are high. More fans, individual ac unit in class rooms, push back start date, etc. And, will there be pe in face masks?

#2 - if masks are required, I'd vote for pushing back school start until at least after labor day. It is way too hot at hussmann for face masks with 90 degree heat.

XXXX - I really hope the district decides to have ALL students IN school EVERYDAY. I'm 100% "all in."

XXXXX - I am hopeful that our schools will fully open everyday taking every precaution possible. I understand it is unrealistic to think that students will be able to stay 6 feet apart in schools but I'm confident D47 will do the best it can in this situation. Please fully open our schools!!

Concerned with face masks, social distancing at school with my kid's asthma/allergies.

At this time we don't feel comfortable sending our daughter back full time under this pandemic but we may not have a choice. We are awaiting what the next few weeks look like moving forward and are hoping we are all at home.

The kids are with other neighborhood kids every day for hours and hours. Other neighborhood kids visit. They Have been and will Continue to interact whether in school or out of school. I would prefer it to be in school where they can continue their learning journey

We would be able to manage transportation to and from school during this trimester and possibly the whole year if necessary.

Will districts throughout the county be aligned? What if a parent works for another school district who is required to do in person instruction and D47 decides to do remote learning?

Would kids be required to be on a zoom call for a few hours?

I am having a tough time deciding between full remote learning or an altered schedule for in person learning given the current news of the uptick in cases recently.

I would recommend waiting until Labor Day to start to see if the trend continues upward before making a final decision to return to school or do remote learning. Also, to see if other schools start, do cases rise. Not only is it a concern for our children, but the health of our teachers especially the older teachers. If we don't have teachers, we can't teach the children. I am one of the lucky ones with a parent at home full time, I understand it will be hard for working parents. Maybe an option would be to allow parents to choose remote or in person and classes be taught just like a normal class would be but on zoom or google meeting at the same time being taught live at school? This would take some of the burden off the parents having to teach and give them some free time. And have specific schedules just like a normal school day to accommodate practice time of learning and break/pe time

We want our kids in school full time, five days a week. However, we do not believe it is healthy or a reasonable expectation for them to wear masks for an entire school day.

These questions should have some sort of "other" box because there are still variables. As far as remote vs in person we are still not sure. Everything depends on how his 504 is handled with the new school environment. How will FAPE be provided to kids with life threatening food allergies due to the alternate arrangements that must be made in the school environment as a result of the virus? How will they be protected from anaphylactic reactions if lunch is eaten in the classroom? Will the lunch room be made available to classes that have students with food allergies, where eating in the classroom would put them at a significant risk? It's hard to answer these questions having two kids, two different age groups in two different schools. How will PE be handled with masks? We completely understand wearing the masks is mandatory but it's not reality for some kids. If there are children that are medically exempt, how will that be handled? I did not see any mention of eating in the classrooms, PE, lunch or food allergies being discussed or addressed.

If remote learning goes forward, it would be great if all teachers in the same grades would have the same lessons and assignments and teaching requirements. There were so many emails and platforms used in the spring. Also getting the homework sooner would be helpful. We've heard from a lot of teachers in other districts and other states who are doing remote learning and still teaching virtually....this to us is the best option. The kids can still get their lessons, from their teachers, taught the way the teachers would teach them. Is this an option? If we choose not to send our kids back, will there be an E learning option for them for the first semester? There is a lot of ground to cover and understand it's difficult...this is an important time to work & problem solve together to ensure no kids are left behind.

We are supportive of the staff and teachers determining the best path forward for everyone. If the model of elearning is followed, I would suggest finishing a way to get some 1:1 time between the student and teacher, perhaps an individual zoom once a week or every other week.

I think that attempting to put children back to school right now is unsafe for my child, my family, and the families of all teachers/faculty/other students. There would need to be VERY stringent rules within the facility to truly be able to open without the expectation that things are going to be shut down within weeks. I don't see that in your plans.

thank you

What happens for the families that remote learn or homeschool for the first trimester but want to return to in person second or third trimester? We appreciate all the effort this takes for staff and administration to figure out. Thank you

I think kids who absolutely need to be at school should have first priority for in person instruction. Whether it's because their parent's work all day, they have different learning needs, or school is their primary meal provider.

I would like to see remote learning with the teacher leading a good portion of the school day. We feel it's important that the kids have as close to in person learning as possible while being remote. We don't feel comfortable sending our kids to the schools at this time. We have 4 children in 6th, 3rd and Kindergarten as well as an infant. It is important that they learn from their teachers.

Realmente como esta la situacion en este momento considero que mi hijo no debe regresar a la escuela, es un riesgo no solo para él sino para toda la familia, sabemos que aunque se tengan todas las medidas de precaucion el riesgo siempre esta alli, los niños juegan y para ellos el distanciamiento es muy dificil.  
Para esta nueva realidad el aprendizaje a distancia es una buena opcion.

There is not enough information on how covid affects children. I do not feel comfortable not knowing the full impact of this disease on them. There are grandparents that watch her during the school day. They also will be exposed. 1 out of 100 people tested is positive the risk is too great for all of us.

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| <p>Please continue to follow the CDC guidance and AAP recommendations for reopening. Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in but most parents are ill-informed on public health measures. There also needs to be a STRONG look at disciplinary policies are children adjust to new routines. They should not be punished for “acting out” as they have to adjust. I would also like more information about how the re-opening plan will address parent volunteers.</p>  |
| <p>It is not possible to make a final decision about remote learning versus in person learning without knowing what the in person learning option will look like. If remote learning is utilized will there be an opportunity for the students to still meet the teachers in person to develop a rapport to help them better communicate in a remote learning environment? Lastly, if a family chooses in person learning but is not comfortable with the implementation can they select to change to remote learning at any time or only at the trimester?</p> |
| <p>No me siento segura de mandar a mi niño a la escuela.</p>  |
| <p>no nos sentimos seguros mandado a nuestro en persona ala escuela</p>   |
| <p>We hope to have more information from the district about the social distance/safety measures in order to feel more confident about our answers.</p>  |
| <p>Daycare is not open late enough due to low demand and cost of daycare for school and cost for all Day care is way too expensive. My concern is how my child will be able to focus on elders ing since our last school did not do a very good job at it.</p>  |
| <p>I genuinely support E-Learning during this pandemic. I am fearful that the asymptomatic children or staff may affect my child's immune system and health &amp; unless there is a cure- I don't want to take that risk. My daughter is my everything and I can't imagine if she got severely sick and had to be hospitalized all alone if she got Covid-19. Thanks for taking the time to read this.<br/>XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX</p>   |
| <p>How do you plan on keep the teaching staff and classroom aids safe during this time.</p>   |
| <p>I would love to send my daughter to school but I'm scared to do that and I don't like that idea wearing mask because she was getting sick to offen in the past couple years.</p>   |
| <p>The kids need to be back in school. Many parents will not speak up but the e-learning is a waste. It's just busy work. The parents might as well home school. With what our property taxes are for schools they can afford haz mat suits for everyone but in no way am I in support of e-learning</p>  |
| <p>We are new to the district and will have 3 kids attending Husmann this year: 2nd, 4th &amp; 5th grade. If you will be doing any version of the split-shift schedule (i.e. half days; 2 or 3 days/week) are you working to ensure that family members from the same household can stay together on the same schedule? I am not sure I could manage having them all scheduled for different days and times. That would make for a horribly unsuccessful year for all of us as my husband and I work full time.</p>   |
| <p>I feel it is important to give children socialization and structured learning environment. They also need the outlet of extracurricular programs to help them grow and develop.</p>  |
| <p>I live in a home with an immune suppressed wife. And two elderly people . My children live here as well. They can easily bring something home. How will the children eat or do gym with masks on. If they cannot social distance I will not send them to school. I will homeschool. You incapability to ensure my child's safety then you shouldn't open</p>   |

At this time with a slight raise in numbers opening school is a risk I am not willing to take with my children and family. After losing a loved one to COVID and having a "high risk" parent in our household it is just too risky. I will be trying the remote learning and if that is not working I will unenroll my kids and and homeschool.

There is no scientific evidence that children will not spread the virus with in-person learning especially to staff.

What is the plan to keep not only the children but the staff safe at this time especially those at risk? If there is an outbreak will the district/other parents be transparent to help with testing and contact tracing?

I would like my son to attend the whole day at school but without wearing a face mask. He won't wear it and he is in special needs.

It sounds as though you are planning on offering e-learning for trimester 1 and I just want to say thank you for potentially offering both in school and e-learning. Our family does prefer e-learning for trimester 1 but would love to be back in school if there are not as many health concerns related to covid later in the school year. We do not envy the position you are in with making these plans for D-47, it is certainly a difficult task. Thank you for so carefully weighing the numerous options to determine what is the safest plan for staff and students.

Please, we are not ready to send our children, and teachers, back into school's. This week, my son's daycare closed because of one confirmed case in their building. We should not put our children and teachers at risk. The cases are still rising! Remote learn for as long as possible! Teachers have the time now to improve their remote learning strategies and techniques. This is the only way to continue learning WHILE KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE. Thank you for hearing my concerns

If in class instruction will resume, I hope the classrooms will have a live feed to lessons. I would prefer my children to have actual instruction even if learning remotely.

Kids need social skills space and it would be good to have kids back in school learning space . But with proper guidance as per situation currently , more hand washing , maintaining distance.

I would not be opposed to kids going to school 5 days a week full time, I just think that's a long day for kids to wear a mask, and a shortened week might be good for the first semester. I think the days they are not in school should be elearning or finishing assignments the teacher gives them in school. Teachers should still be easily available for kids to ask questions and get help on days they are not in school

I would be our hope that onsite instruction is 2(MF) or 3 (MWF) days per week with e-learning days between. This will allow time to observe and monitor for COVID-like symptoms at home and the school to be cleaned thoroughly and routinely.  
I would also offer that 1/2 days subject all parties; student, teacher, administrators and families to exposure. Be it four hours or eight hours and two bus trips are more than zero hours and no exposure.  
The kids have to go to school and the parents need to participate in their child's education, COVID or not. E-learning is challenging, but so is teaching. The District did a great job reformatting and presenting the curriculum in a short period of time. The e-learning is not a concern, school is. At this point, I would be interested in the plan of action for each school to maintain health standards; hand washing protocols, sending symptomatic kids and teachers home, temperature checks, lessons for the students on preventative measures, verify HVAC ventilation rates in older buildings, teacher and administrator isolation during the year and even reduce curriculum to eliminate any unnecessary interaction. This is not intended to be accusatory, rather reflective of measures other governmental agencies in the County have in place.

I believe that for the majority of students and families (those without pre-existing health conditions and compromised immune systems), there is a greater developmental risk if schools were not to open than the risk posed by coronavirus.

All answers are based on what is happening at this time... ideally back to full schedule is the goal. Thank you

For question 9, there was not a space of "not sure yet" for the bus. We have two kids at different elementary schools and I am unsure how we can do simultaneous drop offs. One doesn't ride the bus but I really don't feel comfortable putting the other one on a bus while his brother walks to school. So I will need to know more information or my child who rides the bus will be late each day for us to drive him after we drop off the walker.

I have an issue if kids are not 6 ft apart. I don't think we can go back to school unless there is some sort of split schedule and you never have a class of 30. I am thinking that the 1/2 day with no eating at school solves the space issue and the non-mask for eating issue. If this was the plan I may send my kid/kids to school so that they can get the school routine in the safest possible environment. Also this allows teacher to have a break to take their mask off and eat their lunch/prep while the buses are running.

I am worried that my son has daily medicine by nurse and will there be a "routine" nurses office and another "sick bay" nurses office.

I am worried how IEP pieces are going to be followed. Are specialists to have plexi glass guards so that they can sit by my child to work without risking their own/his health?

I am worried for my kid to be in a room with another kid who doesn't wear a mask due to medical conditions. Since he is high risk, he cannot be by another kid who has the accommodation of no mask. How are you doing this? This may be a non-issue but love to know the plan.

At this point we picked eLearning as I need to know the plan will abide by keeping kids apart by reducing the number of kids there at any given minute before I can send my kid to school. Some schools have stated they just can't distance kids and that is just 100% unacceptable and inappropriate for any district/school board to pick. There needs to be a way to get kids to school in lower numbers so that they can do their learning routine but not be put at risk in the process. I would also like clear details on how you are going to ensure sick kids don't go to school. If kids do go to school sick, how are we going to be informed?

This is what I can think of off the top of my head and I am sure I will have questions when I know what direction you may be heading.

Thank you for your work on this.

E-learning is my best choice for now.

In-person instruction is ideal, of course. However, it just seems that it would be too hard to enforce the guidelines. Also, with kids wearing masks for several hours a day, we don't see this as a positive learning environment. Remote learning needs to be more like the actual classroom, with daily Zoom calls/classes, etc.

I would like to vote for a combo or remote learning and in person instruction. Questions to be answered: Will there be a staff member or school personnel making sure kids keep mask on bus instead of bus driver since their job is to drive? What happens with band since it is risky to be playing and forcing droplets into the air?

A later start date for the school year would be appropriate. I think more time is needed to developed a plan for all of the details and issues that need to be considered.

I feel some in person learning is necessary in a safe way of course .

If the school is not taking temperatures and leaving it up to the parents, some parents in the past have masked sicknesses with tylenol.

If someone in the classroom has covid, what does that mean for the rest of the students/staff in classroom. Are the children all quarantined for 14 days?

If we decide to do remote learning, will there be more contact with a Teacher?

Concerns about where the other parents or family household members of other classmates have traveled and parents stance on covid.

E-learning doesn't work for my son as he learned nothing the last few months. Push the start date out further? Put tents outside for additional space? Utilize the gym space? If elearning then it needs to be zoom meetings, please!

We have a few additional comments / questions:

1. Why aren't we delaying the start of school to properly prepare a plan for children to return to school, instead of rushing to haphazardly prepare a plan to hold the start date?
2. If we're doing e-learning, why aren't we doing live e-learning with the teacher instructing the class as if the children were actually there?
3. If in-person instruction were implemented, what happens if a student or teacher tests positive? Is that class shut down for a period of time? Is a substitute brought in? Is that substitute bouncing from school to school increasing their exposure? If the class is shut down for a day or two, what does that do to the consistency of learning?
4. If multiple confirmed cases across multiple classrooms arise, what is the plan to handle that? Is the whole school shut down? For how long? Again, how is the consistency of instruction maintained?
5. As more and more states repeal or rollback their opening requirements, why aren't we delaying the start of the school year, or starting the 1st trimester with remote learning?
6. If the two most general guidelines are masks and social distancing, how can we safely decide to resume school bus transportation when we can only meet 50% of those requirements?
7. One of our main concerns is the emotional well being of our children, as well as their physical health and education. What kind of environment are we putting them in if we send them to school, and desks are spaced 6', they have to wear masks, their social interaction is limited, their daily routine and consistency of learning is altered or upset by a positive case in their class or school. Has the administration and school board also looked at that aspect of sending kids back to school in a much more restrictive environment than they are accustomed too.
8. How many of the teachers are actually willing to come back? Will we have issues with not enough teachers and too many children? How do we plan to handle that, and maintain social distancing, as well as monitoring larger class sizes, making sure children maintain masks on, etc.

I and all of the parents I talked to don't feel comfortable sending out children to school right now. We prefer online schooling because it's safe and is good for the mental health of a child. Many students also traveled to different states including Florida and we all know how that's going. Once the country does better I'll be more than happy to send my kids to this great school.

I agree that masks need to be worn at all times in the school buildings, but I do not think that it is safe to do so in the schools that are not air conditioned.

When will we know what the revised remote learning curriculum looks like? I understand that it will be revamped compared to last year, but we are still strongly considering using homeschool curriculum instead.

I can drive her to school provided it starts at the same time. In the afternoon, she'll need transportation.

I think kids should go back to school, there is no evidence that this virus is deadly to children.

I feel the benefit & advantages of in person learning are lost with mask wearing & social distancing.

My children are in their formative years. I worry that having them enter into an altered, stressful environment may have longer lasting effects.

I feel most comfortable teaching them at home until we know more about the virus.

I hope a better remote learning option will be available to us

He will do at home if given a choice. If school decides to not have this as option, then he will go on bus wearing a mask.

xxxxxx - There will be issues with the younger kids wearing face masks for long period of time. I'd consider 1/2 day would probably be pushing it with kids having to wear a mask. Maybe get some of the more difficult classes done with a recess break at some point for fresh air.

xxxxxx - I am not comfortable or think it is ok for young children to wear a mask for a full day for a multitude of reasons. Also I think that it will be extremely hard for young kids to understand teachers with masks that are solid and young kids aren't able to see the face/mouth. The rebreathing of carbon dioxide will make kids lethargic, attention decreased, headaches etc., masks will be messed with and or not tolerated by some kids as easy as others. I am not 100 % sold on the idea of having my child return to d47 until I have a real understanding of how you will proceed and detailed info in on class instruction as well as detailed e-learning plans. I will make the best informed decision for my children and family and hopefully we get a detailed plan to do so with. Thank you for your time efforts and surveys

Do not reopen the schools for in-person learning. Teachers will die. Parents will die. And even a few children will die.

Unless you're prepared to offer psychological counseling on an individual basis to the traumatized children who are losing family and teachers and friends, and unless you are able to ensure that the children coming in are not infected, and unless you are able to provide contact tracing, DO NOT MAKE CHILDREN RETURN TO THE BUILDING.

My primary concern comes from the mandatory use of face masks on a child and brain development.

Hopefully better cleaning and air conditioning to be installed in Husmann

Please just make it simple. All or none, Or designate a portion of the school faculty for remote learning if residents choose to do so. The rest of us will send our children to school full time 5 days a week.

We believe wearing a face mask at school is necessary but also very hard for children to do all day. Younger children (kindergarten) may not be as productive in class. Some of the schools do not have air conditioning (Lundahl) and we are concerned that children will be passing out. We want our kids in school but are concerned about their mental and physical health. The kids have always enjoyed school and we hope this continues.

I answered that we will be using the D47 buses, but I am very uncomfortable that the students will not be able to be social distanced on the bus. I understand why this cannot be done given limited space on the bus. Unfortunately, I cannot guarantee that we will be able to provide my daughter consistent transportation to and from school, so I opted that she will take the bus on some or most days.

Taking a moment to look and examine schooling like a business I think there are some lessons that could be adopted to find a middle ground for parents that are for a full return to school and parents who are still uncomfortable with that idea.

1. Run Zoom meeting all day. Keep Zoom open all day, have a lesson plan similar to school with an agenda on things to cover that day.
2. Segment day and alternate between Youtube videos and critical thinking discussions and math lessons.
3. Assignments can be worked and completed while Zoom is live and running in the background.
4. Within Zoom you can create "mini groups" to have smaller work groups. You can have paraprofessionals lead social and emotional lesson. Use a schedule with time boxes for bathroom and exercise breaks.

~Four day school week and Fridays off as a break from technology.

~Teachers available to talk to students all day. Lessons prerecorded if possible or interactive to keep kids engaged online.

~15 min one-to-one time with teacher via zoom.

~Small group zooms for lessons.

~Zoom social times for kids.

~A structured class scheduled day.

~Expectation is to be logged on all day, may minimize screen, but if parent needs kid to log off temporarily its like signing kid out of school. A quick note to teacher.

#Academic studies and learning can be recouped...Children and teachers, bus drivers, custodians, parents, etc cannot.

#Although Covid19 may not "kill" children as often as adults and immunocompromised people, don't think that it doesn't leave permanent physical scarring...because it does. Your lungs will never be the same, including children's lungs.

#If we are not putting employees at businesses, hospital administrators, and many company employees that can work from home in the same room together right now due to the risk (including MILITARY) ... grown adults who actually hopefully have hygiene skills and education regarding mask wearing, etc...we have to ask why we would risk putting our basically defenseless children into such an environment? No kids will keep a mask on...not one.

#Children have been basically isolated since March, children were among the fastest and most quarantined people and that's largely why their infection rate was lower... so we really don't know how Covid19 will spread, mutate, and change amongst this population.

#There's no guarantee that no one will get Covid19 if the schools open and everyone "wears a mask." If one person dies or is permanently damaged due to the district being open, then it was not worth it. And let's face it, that's not realistic. The numbers absolutely will exponentiate.

#I struggle keeping masks on my two kids...TWO... how is a teacher going to keep masks on 10,20,30 kids? Impossible.

#1 - There needs to be an understanding that children do not understand the importance of face masks and that they will take them off due to habit/comfort ability - not due to being rebellious

#2 - What will happen if a staff member or student in my child's classroom is sent home with a temperature or contracts COVID? Will the entire class be canceled/ quarantined for 2 weeks?  
Will schools be providing masks for students? Will there be restrictions of which masks are suitable/acceptable as we'd like to start preparing our 3 1/2 year old.

I feel the schools need to reopen during fall. My son receives special education services for speech and although I could try to help him here I feel a specialist will benefit him more than I could. For both my son and daughter, I'm Concerned for their social development. I was already concerned for my daughter in that domain but I feel like not returning back to school in fall will make a bigger impact on my kids with their social development.

My child has a 504 plan. Has delays in reading and trouble in math, however we have a Very high risk family member at home. I am not sure how school can look for us and what the district will provide.

We closed schools with few cases, but reopen with over a million cases? So wrong!

This isn't political, this is a health crisis; don't gamble with our children's lives. Every sickness or death that arises from opening our schools will be on you.

I would like to see my kids lives get back to some sort of normalcy but understand 100% that this may not be an option and we are OK with that.

It doesn't make sense to have kids return to school when the pandemic cases are higher than when they closed schools in the spring

I am feeling that rushing back to school right now, especially with numbers climbing again, is not in the best interest of anyone. I am not opposed to student wearing masks in school if that is the decision. I do feel strongly that a much better remote learning platform must be implemented. The platforms that D158 and D300 use are impressive and far more comprehensive than what we had. My son has a significant learning disability and the services and instruction he received made learning through our platform extremely stressful for him. This is by no means his teachers fault at all. They worked so hard. But what they were asked to do was not fair. There are much better platforms out there that keep students engaged for longer periods of time, that allows from consistent learning from classroom to classroom, grade level to grade level and building to building. Remote learning NEEDS to be much better than it was.

I am extremely concerned about buildings with no air conditioning and kids and staff having to wear masks. There are health risks in that alone. My son's middle school will not have A/C and I will not be sending him to school on days that the temps are high with a mask as I worry about health factors for him.

xxxxxx - It has been proven globally that children are the LEAST affected class (lowest death rate). I have NO RESERVATIONS of allowing my children to attend full day, 5 days a week classes in person along with bus transportation.

xxxxxx - It's important that my kids go to school full day. We have to go to work and cant afford care for our kids.

I am concerned about having children wear masks for 7 hours a day or more. It seems near impossible to ensure all children abide by the social distancing guidelines. With all the positive COVID-19 tests in daycares and sports camps recently, it seems likely that opening schools may cause an increase in cases among our youth. This is an unnecessary risk to our children.

Personally, I believe there is still not enough known about COVID for me to feel comfortable having students in a classroom setting (no matter what parameters are put in place) and expect staff to effectively instruct and for students to be engaged and learning. In addition, the staff's wellbeing - physically and mentally - is paramount and while the health of the students and their families is important, I don't feel the health of the staff and their families is carrying the same weight in the decision making talks. While of course I want schools to return to normal - and understand the benefits: emotionally, socially, academically, etc. - I believe any type of in-person learning right now is setting the district up for failure...not by their own doing, but because there is not enough guidance, support, and financial support to put together a plan that may be effective. In addition, no states, groups, camps, etc have shown any success in recent months in trying to roll out some kind of "new normal" with the amount of people D47 is working with and not have a COVID outbreak, surge in numbers, and so on. Staying at home, in full remote learning mode, for one semester (or maybe year) is the safest choice for all. I believe this is a small sacrifice the district and families need to make in the now to set the community up for success (and health) in the future.

Even though I chose half days I still think that it is not the safest thing to send kids and teachers back into school buildings when the virus numbers are going up. I chose half days because that is what my district is doing where I am teaching in Woodstock. We will have morning and afternoon shifts of kids so class sizes are smaller. Our days will be a little bit longer so we will have Fridays off. As much as I would not want to do remote learning again I know that it is inevitable and I think right now if all the districts chose to do that from the start that would be the safest thing to do.

My mother is 60 and is high risk so that is also a concern because she lives with us.

One thing that was grossly mismanaged in the spring was the mental health of our students. What will be done to address this concern? What changes will the district be making in regards to remote learning to ensure that it is actually effective? If a family chooses remote learning initially, can they switch to in person if the status of the virus changes? Why didn't the district take the steps to assemble a parent and expert task force? After watching the last school board meeting, it appears many of the school board members don't speak for the community. Limited surveys may not capture the fluidity of the situation and fluctuation of perspectives. What will the district do to ensure the safety of the students? It is well known that students are constantly sent to school unwell - how will this be managed? What happens if a student tests covid +? What about if someone in their household tests covid +? What safety net will the district be providing to teachers to help ensure that they don't need to come to school unwell or if they've been exposed to the virus? Will exceptions be made for people who "don't believe in masks" or don't want their kids to wear masks (I hope not!)? What about children with sensory issues or medical concerns that prevent them from wearing masks? My concern is that for each single person not wearing a mask, the risk to the compliant students and faculty goes up.

Moving forward beyond this current outbreak, how will the district address BASIC sanitation issues like hand washing? Sanitizer is NOT enough (many people are unaware that it doesn't even kill the germs that cause stomach flu). The influenza outbreaks that spread virulently through our schools speak to our current inability to ensure a healthy school experience - I hope the district uses this as a sounding board for revising policies and procedures. As I've spoken with many parents in the community they have brought up the unhealthy environments as reasons NOT to send their kids back to school anytime soon.

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| <p>Face to face learning should cease until a cure is established to successfully treat and prevent COVID. My children to include many of my children's parents that the kids did better remote and were more focused. Right now is just to stressful and too.much uncertainty. Better safe than sorry. We are in uncharted territory and we need to tread carefully.</p>   |
| <p>I would like to see more detail specific to a case where a teacher/student became ill, or shows signs of illness how does the class get impacted, and how will parents be notified.</p>  |
| <p>I believe the best place for children to learn is in the classroom, 5 days a week. All students and teachers need to take the steps to ensure everyone is safe, to the best of their ability, and just be aware of everyone.</p>   |
| <p>My husband and I both took the survey (we apologize, I didn't know he did it too), and both our opinions have changed since taking it. This virus has us changing our minds and opinions daily. Anyway, we wanted to both change our choice to full remote learning even though it might be too late. Thank you.</p>   |
| <p>xxxxx - If masks will be mandatory, we will consider home schooling.</p>   |
| <p>xxxxx - Please see Schaumburg district 54 policy. I really like their procedures and what they came up With.</p>   |
| <p>I am a stay at home mom so if that means my child would be taking the space for someone who needs their child to go to school (i.e a child whose parents both work) I am fine with him staying home and doing e learning.</p>  |
| <p>While not opposed to face masks, would not want my children to have to wear them all day - for reasons of comfort as well as health. Additionally, relying on parents to keep sick children at home doesn't work very well under "normal" circumstances (whatever "normal" is.....) - and under the current set of circumstances we find ourselves in, would not want to risk my children's well-being, even though the remote learning alternative is extremely taxing in so many ways.<br/>Children first!</p> |
| <p>If social distancing can not be obtained during the school day, I would not want my child at school or on the bus. That is the #1 defense on preventing the spread of the illness.</p>   |
| <p>Our family has too many concerns as far as one parent says no school but other says yes. Health risk concerns being at school and bus.. not able to have someone to watch or pick up daughter if both parents work. Remote learning is an issue if both parents work during the day, how is that going to work.</p>  |
| <p>My son is in the ASPIRE program, masks and social distancing are not realistic for this program. ASPIRE families need to know what is being planned for the students and staff of ASPIRE</p>   |
| <p>xxxxx - No more district employees. We need teachers not ainistrators. Second, face shields as an option for educators so kids can hear them better and see what they are saying.</p>  |
| <p>xxxxx - I hope teachers don't have to wear masks it's hard enough for the kids to hear them anyway<br/>Also tax money goes to schools for full time so where is the money going if kids aren't in school<br/>No more district level staff needs to be hired. They aren't doing anything while the kids are home</p>  |

xxxxxx - Thank you for all your continued efforts to educate our children.

xxxxxx - This issue should be based on science and not public opinion or politics. It seems really clear that not much has change since March with the exception of better treatment options in hospitals. I'm concerned the schools opening will be the next "super-spreader" event in most states, including Illinois.

The bus crowding and no air in school is concerning for kids wearing masks. I do believe in masks but there has to be ways for less crowding on busses.

I wouldn't want to expose my daughter to anything, it's not the best option to keep her home but I'm not ready to send her back either.

We need busses & hope schools can be opened normally.

English is not a primary language spoken in our family. My husband and I don't speak English well enough to be able to teach our son and provide a good education base for him. We rely on school and teachers for this.

I feel it is best to continue online learning to keep our kids safe. I can't imagine trying to hold children compliant to social distancing regulations all day long.

The schools must be opened. The district was woefully unprepared for this last spring and it was very disappointing. This is emotionally detrimental to our children and assumes all families have parents at home who are able to flex their schedules to accommodate their newly found teaching careers. For those who oppose mask wearing and schools opening, they have always had, and still have, that option.

Me gustaría que se reabriera la escuela el aprendizaje a distancia está bien pero no es lo mejor los niños no ponen mucha atención y creo que es mejor que asistan a la escuela siempre y cuando se tengan las precauciones para hacerlo.

There needs to be a way back full time for our kids. We can't focus remote learning on my young kids especially my kindergartener. They need to do health screens for all kids and staff everyday.

Our children need to be in school. They have lost valuable education time already, please don't continue to hold them back by trying to continue remote learning. Remote learning does not work for our kids!!! Also, face masks should not be required. (The CDC does not require them) Take a look at all the data from around the world, child to adult transmission is extremely rare. Please take a minute and research the hearings regarding Senator Rand Paul and Dr. Fauci for more information. Please feel free to contact me at any time.

If busing is limited to maintain safe spacing, we will be able to drive our student instead of using the bus. Children of essential workers and those who can't work from home should get priority for buses.

I think it's imperative that our children return to school! The consequences that will come from social isolation and academic decline is more of an issue than the virus if good practices are performed. The same things that we teach our children during flu season should also be taught for Covid prevention. Individuals get and die from the flu every year and we don't keep our children home from school because of it. We need to live life and there will be severe consequences long-term if we continue to put lives on hold.

I feel children need to be with kids their own age daily therefore that is why I requested 1/2 days daily so they can see kids and socialize even if they have to wear a mask

D47 needs to be aligned with D155. My children lost a lot of education during remote learning.

It's not worth it to me to risk other people's lives, children and teachers, high risk or not. We can handle another trimester of remote learning. We will do what it takes!

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| <p>Half day seems like a great option. Students would then not need to eat at school. Encores could take place remotely for the half of the day that students are home. Also during this home learning time, zoom sessions could be available with reading specialists, math tutoring, small groups, homework help ,etc. Art and another encore supplies could be sent home with students as needed. Students could arrive to school and report to spaced out exercises on the playground, lead by staff.</p>  |
| <p>Both my children have IEP's. Remote learning in the Spring of 2020 was fine, but I am not a trained professional to help my children progress. I am concerned about their education when it comes to e-learning.</p>  |
| <p>I am a certified staff member in D300. My hope is that districts in the surrounding area will be following the same plans.</p>  |
| <p>I suggest schools should have lots of cleaning and disinfect at all times.</p>  |
| <p>I think for the safety of all involved remote learning should take place this Fall. The situation can be evaluated in December/January for a return at the beginning of February.</p>   |
| <p>What are the plans for lunch and physical education? What sanitation measures will be in place? Will children be permitted to attend school (Or transportation) if they have a cough or fever? How will we be notified if another child has been exposed to someone with symptoms or positive test results like a family member? If online classes, will video conferences be mandatory?</p>  |
| <p>Children should attend school in person every day. Masks and social distancing are absolutely NOT necessary. There is absolutely no scientific evidence that masks and 6-foot social distancing are effective at stopping the transmission of this virus. Masks should only be used by health care professionals. Children will not be able to wear masks properly for any length of time. The long term negative effects on children's social-emotional and academic outcomes due to this lock-down will be even worse if you keep our children on continued lock-down. As working parents, we should not be tasked with extended remote learning ever again. This lock down has been detrimental to our family. Please open schools for full-time in-person learning primarily for the social-emotional health of all families.</p>   |
| <p>Está bien lo que se acuerde siempre y cuando tome uno las medidas necesarias para proteger a nuestro hijo o hija.</p>   |
| <p>My feelings on this matter fluctuate so often, I'm not sure what I want for my children anymore. I think structure, routine and their social/emotional wellness are so very important; however, I'm not sure that those things outweigh potentially putting them at risk. As a former teacher, I also struggle with the thought of putting our teachers' lives at risk. My husband's company isn't asking them to meet in large groups yet, they are still mostly operating via Zoom meetings &amp; conference calls. How, then, can we ask our teachers to do this? My children want to go back to school, but they don't understand that school will look a lot differently than they're used to. They are craving normalcy, but school won't look "normal" to them. I was not super impressed with what remote learning looked like at the end of last year, but I also understand D47 had little time to prepare or implement much of a plan. I give them a lot of credit for what they created on such short notice, but I hope it looks different this Fall, if necessary. I know that our administrators, superintendent &amp; school board have our children's best interest at heart when making this decision, and they will have my full support in whatever plan they put together. Please, also consider our teachers' safety and their wishes when making this important decision. Thank you for considering our feelings and feedback.</p> |
| <p>We have a high school aged son that is immune compromised/asthma/high risk, so we are a family that would need/appreciate some version of on-line option for the fall. It worked very well for us in the spring. Thank you!</p>   |
| <p>I have no problem with my middle schooler doing full remote learning all year. But xxxxxx my 5th grader has an iep and needs structure and special instruction classes, I learned with the remote learning we did at the end of the year that I am not equipped to give him the support he needs. I feel he will lose out the most and fail if he does not return to school full time.</p>  |

Hope to see all students be back for schools.

We will not be returning to the district in person. I witnessed many many teachers and staff not properly social distancing over the summer. I'm less worried about children and more worried about the teachers and staff making poor decisions with respect to the health and safety of children they should be concerned about. Moreover, the end of last year and online learning was a disaster and very very poorly executed. Perhaps meet with MCHenry County College, they pulled off e-learning with very few hiccups, at least very few visible to public.

I believe I said what I needed to say at the last survey.

Thank You

As a health care professional (registered nurse) please take in consideration your protocol/plan of action it only takes one person for the spread of covid-19 to spread like wild fire.

If my child is required to start in person learning, he would need to take the bus most days as this would be his only way to and from school while I am at work due to one vehicle in the family. He has a stay-at-home father who can help implement e-learning if necessary.

I feel that these are ridiculous questions that ultimately mean nothing because there's no information about how you are social distancing or what class sizes will look like or even how you will be altering the remote learning plan out in place in the spring. Do I ultimately want the kids back in school with as much normal as possible? Of course I do. But parents need more information before we can form an educated opinion.

Also random suggestion for remote learning. I'm sure this isn't possible. But it really would be Beneficial if the course work across grades and subjects where the same for all kids enrolled in those classes. Kids with friends in the same grades that are already social distancing together could work together. Example: my LMS 8th grader and all his 8th grade LMS friends that can safely spend time together could work together in English if all the 8th grade English teachers assigned the same work/books and had the same lesson plans. This would help the isolation brought on by remote learning.

I am still in favor of live instruction in a classroom setting however much it can happen. So much learning happens when children are with others and focused in a classroom setting without distractions within the home.

A big concern we have is our daughter staying current with her grade level education.

I don't think it would be healthy for the kids to have in classroom school , I'm not gonna expose my children into getting sick if the school is open for in class time I will be homeschooling .

I feel like we should have an option to have elearning/remote learning, for parents who aren't quite comfortable sending our children to school yet AND have in person instructions (school) for parents who are ok with it and for parents who can't afford child care.

We feel either full day 2-3 days or full days 5 days a week are the best options. I understand the masks are not ideal, however for most kids they will end up wearing masks in afterschool care regardless of only being in school for half a day and they will still have to complete another hour and a half of e-learning to meet the requirements set by the state. My children miss school. They do not want to sit in front of a computer all day to learn. They want to see their friends and teachers. They want to feel just a little bit of normalcy again even if it means they will have to wear a mask all day. That being said, we are extremely concerned for the safety of our kids and the teachers. While this survey is short and to the point, I do not feel like there is enough information for parents to make such a big decision especially seeing as we are a month out from when school should be starting. How will we be screening and checking for fevers? I heard in the last board meeting that the parents will be screening their own children and then signing a paper to send to school. We are just going to take everyone's word that they checked for a fever? How will screening times impact school start times? Will this increase the time spent at school? If it is half days, how will students be divided from morning to afternoon? Will we have one student in the morning and one in the afternoon? How will this work for students that need/have IEPs? What options will be available for after school and or before school care? Is the park district ready for a huge influx of students needing after school and before school care and at what cost to the parents? Where will students be since there is a max capacity of 50 kids in a room? If they are going to be having 50 students in one room, how is that any better than having a normal day in the class? What is the plan if someone in class becomes covid positive and the class needs to transition to remote learning for the 14 day quarantine? What is the plan/layout for e-learning in general? This is important information that we as parents need to know before making any decisions.

I would want all children to be temperature checked upon entry of the school. Perhaps allowing for parents to assist with this at certain entrances. More often than not, children are sent to school under the weather!

Why not coming in person for 1 day in a week just to meet their teacher And give all the homework for the whole week ... I just wanna make sure that my kids are safe ...

Is the school going to provide additional face masks, if one breaks, child sneezes/coughs while wearing the mask? What will happen when children become ill, cough/fever/vomit\_sneeze/runny nose? These are signs of both the flu and COVID-19. What measures will be taken and will be the rules?

I only support face masks being required while on the bus. For the rest of the day it should be recommended and encouraged only. For many kids and many reasons masks "all day" will likely cause far more problems than the solution you seek. While I applaud all the past hard work and all the thought the district is putting into this, note that no matter what the district does it is not immune. You have these kids and the staff a few hours, what they do the remaining many hours of the day is out of your control. Many have "essential workers" as parents, many are already active having playdates, playing sports, etc. I think you will set yourselves up better with realistic expectations knowing the probability of some spread is expected. I would term everything as "guidelines" because the minute one kid/staff member is sick or a child goes home to say "Bobby" took off his mask... or "Sarah" wasn't distancing from me.. you will get a thousand calls for failing the "requirements" you set. You also have parents dug in deep on one side or the next and requiring/not requiring some things could be detrimental to the child stuck in the middle. Though the cases are spiking in some areas of the country, severe cases and death rates are falling to new lows. I hope you also send out some informative info to families with facts about the spread in our area and the virus. There is so much misinformation for clicks and ratings that many are not getting a full in-depth understanding. Given this is a version of aggressive flu I do not support vaccine requirements. Annual influenza vaccines are not required nor should this vaccine be. By the time vaccine comes out we will be well into the 10-20% spread for herd immunity to take hold anyway.

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| <p>My concern is when they have gym class , do they have to wear a mask ? Because if they are then I don't want my kids to be in the class, why ? Because I don't think it would be safe for them running n doing some exercise with their mask on</p>   |
| <p>Estoy de acuerdo en que nuestros hijos deben seguir las reglas de usar mascarillas,pero tomemos en cuenta que son niños y será difícil para ellos acatar todas las acciones requeridas. Además son demasiadas horas usando la mascarilla y uno de mis hijo a padecido asma y se le dificultará el uso de la misma.</p>  |
| <p>Thank you to all the people working on how best to support students and staff this fall. We appreciate you!</p>   |
| <p>I am concerned that is someone in class tests positive for Covid-19 , student or teacher. Who will need to quarantine? Also, class rooms are small that not able to do social distancing.</p>   |
| <p>My husband and I both work full-time. We have two younger children in full-time care. We do not have care arranged for our incoming kindergartener, nor do we have any means to afford further child care.</p>  |
| <p>It is very terrifying to think of sending our child to school at this time with all the concerns of covid and it is even further terrifying to think that social distancing will not be maintained in school or on the bus, however it seems to be necessary. Unless the district will be providing complimentary child care, it will be completely impossible to provide alternative care for our kindergartener.</p>  |
| <p>It is critical for me as a parent to ensure you will be maintaining good hand hygiene, requiring masks (and ensure they are worn properly), keeping the kids as far apart as possible and cleaning the busses and classrooms before and after school.</p>   |
| <p>I do not feel comfortable sending my children back to school without having a exact plan in place or know how they will be separated and what their exact day will look like. Are they sitting at a desk all day long with no breaks for recess or other activities? Also not having an air conditioned building and wearing a mask all day does not seem practical. The other large concern I have is the numbers of cases are going up daily in McHenry county.</p> <p>I also have a concern for the safety of your teachers and their families lives they are putting at risk. What happens to the learning process when someone tests positive and a class or school has to be quarantined?</p> |
| <p>If parents are going to be working, what does it matter if the kids go back to school full time? If a parent is subject to risks in the workplace, then they can give to kids too. So there is no advantage to only going to school 1/2 days vs full days or even only partly during the week. Therefor, the best way to not hurt kids long term knowledge and preparation is to have them in school full time. Also, if all kids are not in school full time, there will be a widening gap in knowledge as not all families have the ability to be effective with remote learning. Thank you,<br/>xxxxxx</p>   |
| <p>As both of my children are part of the Dual Language program, one returning and entering fourth grade and one just entering kindergarten, I would like them to be able to participate in school activities at school. With that being said, I understand this is a very challenging situation for everyone. Some combination of in-school learning and remote learning would be an ideal solution, I feel.</p>  |
| <p>It would not be too much of an inconvenience for us to drive our children to school despite qualifying for bus services so we would probably opt to drive to help the situation.</p>  |

Remote learning at the end of last year did not work well for our family. Our kids did not get the attention or environment they deserved to learn. As a parent, we are not educators so our kids didn't get the a lot out of remote learning, we were also not able to offer then the time or attention needed to learn as we both were working at the same time. I strongly support a return to classroom for next year.

We shouldn't be sending our kids back to an in person environment until we can guarantee no child or teacher will get COVID. My job is not allowing its employees back into the office until there is a vaccine, it seems silly that we would send our kids into an environment where many businesses wouldn't do the same. Businesses that are open are also capped at a max capacity that is far less than the maximum capacity originally intended.

My families health & safety will be first priority. If remote learning is not an option, then I will not send my daughter to school.

I'm not sure if my first survey saved, if so I apologize for the double-entry.  
I think putting kids in school is a completely unnecessary risk as there is no empirical evidence as to what could happen. It is my opinion that we should allow other districts/states to be the test group while we remain the control in this real world experiment(which is what this is and an unethical one at that). I understand and empathetic to the need for school as 'child-care' for parents but would they rather struggle with schedules/time-off for school learning or for a sick child or family member. The fact that in-person learning is even being considered is truly shocking and is hard to wrap my head around.

**WE SHOULD NOT BE PUTTING OUR CHILDREN, AND TEACHERS, AT RISK.** Remote learning is the BEST option!!! I cannot comprehend why parents are wanting to put their children back in school. They will not be able to converse and play with their friends like they did before. They will not be taught the way they were before. Hands on learning/teaching will cease to exist. We can try to teach our children proper hygiene, but the germs to come are inevitable. I can only imagine the amount of children not wearing masks properly, and not washing their hands near enough. If my child's teacher gets Covid, what are the repercussions? Will the district pay for my daughter and my family to get tested? Will she have to be quarantined as long as the teacher? Why would I want to send her back to school after cases are being confirmed in a small building? How will she feel if one of her peers or teacher, dies from this? Will we just get mysterious emails about confirmed cases in the building and not know who or what classroom it is in? I am **EXTREMELY UNCOMFORTABLE** sending my child back to school. We can remote learn, and that is what we should do. **WE NEED TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN AND TEACHERS SAFE.** Cases are continuing to hit record high numbers. We are not ready!

I have yet to see how accommodations are going to be made for special needs children with IEPs no matter what instruction looks like. Remote learning at the end of the 2020 school year was a fail in my eyes for a special needs child that requires structure and therapies. I feel that more time is going to be spent trying to keep my daughter away from other children, as she does not understand personal space, therefore being a detriment to her learning. While most neuro-typical parents seem to be so quick to say that everyone needs to get on board with masks and social distancing, it simply isn't possible for others. I feel that if I am comfortable enough sending my child to school then she shouldn't have to wear a mask at all and parents who aren't should keep their kids home or their children can wear masks. I am a single parent, not a teacher, social worker, speech therapist, occupational therapist, fluent Spanish speaker, art teacher etc... and I simply can't provide that those things to my children at home. I will not vaccinate my child to send her to school either, or have her constantly sanitizing her hands all day. Hand washing is fine but the sanitizer is destroying her skin.

Our family has specific questions regarding students that are in the Oasis program at Hannah Beardsley. 1. Will they be transitioning between classrooms? 2. How feasible is it to have kids in the Oasis Program, many of who have sensory issues wear a mask for the school day? 3. Are there going to be potential reprimands for these kids that are not able to tolerate wearing a mask the duration of the day?

My son has an IEP. My main concern is that he will fall behind. I also don't feel it is fair to put teachers and staff at risk of infection.

The Health and Safety of all district employees and students are my primary concern. I do not feel at this time that it is safe for anyone to return without a vaccine or at best more information regarding Covid-19. We cannot SAFELY return just yet. There is not one life in our district that is worth the risk.

I also support a model in which children are learning both in-person and via e-learning alternating days.

Thank you for all you do to protect and help us for a smooth transition from this tough situation.

We will not be sending the kids if masks are required.

I feel very uncomfortable with my children returning back to school during the pandemic as currently numbers are going up. Bus transportation is completely out the question as there is no way to social distance. If all kids return to school at the same time I do not believe they will all follow the rules of keeping on masks and social distancing as they are children who dont fully understand the consequences of this health issue at hand. I am concerned about education but health comes first for my family. Some children's parents are first responders and if they are asymptomatic sending their kids to school who may be asymptomatic it could lead to an even bigger pandemic knocking out the entire school or even having newly infected kids spreading it to their parents at home who then spread it to people at work. My opinion we should not put the children in any position ever that could put them in any kind of health risk.

\* an idea I did hear about upon return to school that I think could work is students staying in the same class all day and the teachers rotate from different classrooms to teach. Less kids in each class where social distancing can be done. Lunch is done in the classroom or outside if weather permits....I thought this idea was better then middle school and high school kids roaming the halls several times a day in between classes where they will not be about to social distance

I'm struggling with this whole situation, as I do not have a clear picture of what any of the options entail. For me, all remote will be the most consistent, as I'm unclear what the plan is when someone tests positive. Given that we have teachers with exposure to nearly the entire school (Gym, STEM, Art, Music) should one of them test positive, or a student they have come in contact with test positive, then they have to stay home and quarantine. If that teacher has children in a different school within the district, then that child and other exposed should consider quarantine; what if there is an older sibling at the middle school? With one or two positive cases, we have potential exposure across multiple schools throughout the district. Which would then cause the schools to close and virtual/remote learning will be required. Given the urgent switch in the spring, I can't imagine the rush to move those who are doing the in person learning to remote being much different than what we experienced in the spring. Add to it the emotional impact of the child, should they actually bring the virus home and someone in their family ends up in the hospital, or worse, dies from it. The trauma and guilt will be near unbearable for a child.

I'm also struggling, because I have no idea what the remote learning is going to look like, because all we know is "better than the spring" and to be honest, it wouldn't take much to make it better. Before making a final decision on how I plan to proceed in August, I need some clarity:

1. Exactly what remote learning will look like, structure, curriculum, etc. It has to be more than what we had in the Spring and we have to have a way to be flexible for working parents.
2. A detailed plan on how contact tracing and quarantine requirements will work when someone in the school tests positive.
3. A detailed layout/diagram of classrooms and how social distancing will be enforced in hallways as they move through the school for encore classes and lunch. Also, how will lunches work? And will kids get to go outside?
4. Teacher and staff safety and benefits - are they getting hazard pay? If they are required to quarantine because they are "exposed" will they have to use their own sick/vacation time? Or will they still get to keep it? If they move to remote learning mid-semester - are they trained and up to speed on the remote curriculum and tools?

I honestly don't feel like the district is NEAR ready to start school in August, and wonder if we need to consider a later start, so the district can get clarity around all the options. It is unfair to ask a parent or even a teacher to select an option, when the details are so uncertain.

We chose remote learning as we just don't have enough information yet to choose in person. Very concerned that it will be too hard to regulate illness - Covid and other illnesses as well as tracing and quarantine. Also want to support the teachers at higher risk and students with special needs that need to be at school or stay home. Thank you for offering a remote option for students and teachers that need that option. Best wishes as you try to find acceptable approaches for in school learning. We recognize you have a very challenging task and appreciate everyone's work. Thank you.

Thank you for your time, effort and dedication to our children. It is impossible to please everyone.... my hope for all parties involved is that parents and faculty have confidence that we are doing what is best for one another. Praying for an equitable outcome.

I would have chosen full remote learning, but haven't really gotten an understanding of what it will look like, except "better than spring".... and while better is good, it isn't saying much and doesn't allow me to make an informed decision. I would prefer not to send my kids

I think remote learning should be the way to go with the 1st trimester of school. I don't think it's fair to use our children as guinea pigs when it's obvious that COVID-19 is still very rampant in our community. As much as we want to get back to "normal" I don't want to risk my kid's lives.

I am updating my survey response since I first took the survey. After consideration, we are choosing the remote option. I really do not see how D47 (or any district) will be able to operate in person classroom in any format safely at this time, the health risk is too high. My concern is that my 6 year old with ASD & ADHD will not be able to wear a mask all day due to sensory issues and the effects of his ADHD. I am concerned that with just 1 to 2 positive cases in a school, it will spread in the community and it will shut the school down and will have to move to remote eventually anyway. I really do not like the option of having to chose between my child and the D47 staffs safety or me having to put employment at risk for myself to become my child's teacher, but at this point health is the number one priority. Remote learning will negatively impact my sons education as he has no interest in school and he refused to do any remote work in the spring so we will need support to help him through his aversion to school.

My main objection is not the masks, but the ratios. I would love to see the district consider E-learning for the high school students and coordinate some way to spread the younger kids out through the D-47 and D-155 buildings so that social distancing is possible. I don't think the masks alone are enough if social distancing isn't happening. These districts can work together and be an example to surrounding districts. If that means hiring more teachers, I think that is a reasonable action at this time and as a tax payer, I support it.

We are not comfortable with the idea of our kids wearing a mask to school.  
If in person is the only available option for school this year. Then our children will not attend school this year, instead they will be home schooled.

- If split scheduling is used, I don't know how working will be feasible, not just for us, but many people. Extended time is our before and after school care - if they are on split schedules, can they only be in ET on those days?

I do not believe that wearing face masks are a viable option for children for a long period of time (school day). If in-person learning is going to be mandated, my children will not be attending school and will be home schooled.

I am very much still not sure what we will be doing. We will have a 3rd grader who has an IEP, is behind academically and he needs that in person support(the remote learning did not work out for him the end of the year), however, I fear for his safety. We also have a kindergartner who may do well remote but not really sure. I am also fearful of what happens if there is a student that contracts the virus-will the school keep shutting down?

We have more questions then we could possibly list here. Our decision will be made once we have more information.

I strongly disagree with opening schools for full-day, in person learning. I am not comfortable putting my child, or the staff for that matter, at risk. I also do not agree with children having to wear a mask for 6.5 hours a day. That being said they need to take it off for lunch, snacks, etc. It is definitely not safe for children to eat together. If we do go back in person i hope it will be half day only. Parents should be able to have a choice when to pick up their children. Child care is not an issue for me and I would prefer that my daughter not eat at school. I believe there are very few social benefits for children to have this school year with masks on, social distancing, etc. That was the primary reason I initially did want my daughter back in school. To socialize. But I do not see how that can safely happen.

I am all for getting the kids back into in-person learning and feel it is imperative to do so - it is just too soon. With the States reopening, the numbers are on the rise which only proves that we do not yet have a handle on this thing. As difficult as the decision is, I believe more time is needed before we throw our children into the line of fire and social distancing guidelines and safety measures must continue to be followed.

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| <p>I am not comfortable in in-person learning and using our kids and teachers as a public test in how fast COVID can spread. There can be longer term affects to this virus and I'd rather not have my child or myself get it. We (our household) can remote learn so we'd rather err on the side of caution and keep our child home for the first trimester. If things get better in the next couple of months we'd be open to a form of in-person instruction.</p>  |
| <p>I think it is way to soon to send them back. To many kids live in multi famiky homes and the risks are to high. What happens when we have an oit break and we are all home sick and can't learn at all. Keep them home, elearn where they are safe, no masks, teachers are safe. Once teachers start getting this there are not enough subs. Its more of a headache for families to worry about getting it then just having them stay home.</p>  |
| <p>I originally responded that I would prefer full days 2-3 times a week, but I have amended my response to half days after discussing the options with my daughter. She would prefer partial days. I'm hoping that P.E. will not be part of the curriculum at all, as I cannot see that working.<br/>I do thank you for the reasonable response to this difficult challenge. Thanks!</p>   |
| <p>I believe the students need 2 to 3 days in school and two remotely. Once we have a vaccine then we return to normal. Hopefully by spring 2021</p>  |
| <p>I'm worried that the kids will not be able to see their teachers mouth during instruction. I'm also worried that the kids will not be able to wear their masks all day, especially the kindergartners, but I feel in person teaching is so important!</p>  |
| <p>My biggest concern right now is having the same plan as District 300 since I am employed there. My children will not do well starting the school year with elearning. It's very challenging to teach your own children at home since home is a separate setting. And parents should not be expected to be teaching their children schoolwork- let alone balancing their own work. I think it's really unfair to parents, even if there are fears of being infected. If the government is telling us we should go back, then they feel confident that we can move on from this horrible crisis. We have to trust it at this point since our lives have been extremely disrupted, and it has to end.</p> |
| <p>The schools need to check every student that is a walker or car rider at the door for temperature. NOT a note saying I checked at home they are good. If they ride the bus, they need to be checked by the driver before getting on the bus. A parent certification will be manipulated. They forgot or cannot find it, batteries are dead, oh I forgot. They need to be checked by the school and bus drivers before entering either.</p>   |
| <p>I feel more comfortable that my child stays home learning on the computer during the fall due to high risk to her and her grandparents. I want her and her grandparents and myself to be safe.</p>   |
| <p>I would need to put in a request for my children as well as two others be on the same schedule. This way I can help and we have a system in place to be able to get our kids back and forth without needing the bus. This would open up 4 bus spaces If we can be on the same schedule, whatever that may look like.<br/>I am thinking a hybrid program may be safer and easier on the kids having to wear masks all day. And, help traffic flow for social distancing, as well as sanitation.</p>   |
| <p>None</p>   |
| <p>While I feel the utmost caution must be taken to ensure the safety of students &amp; staff; I feel it is very important that the children receive some type of in-person instruction.</p>  |

I would like to know what happens if a teacher gets sick? Will they have to use their sick days? Will they have to be out for the 14 days? Will all the people they were in contact with, students and staff, have to be out 14 days? I would love to have my child go back to school. He loves school and misses it. E-learning was hard but so is this virus and if we can't get the kids safe, 6ft apart, and healthy then I don't see how this can be done.

I really like district 47 do the best for the children, does not matter if they go back to school in person or they keeping going with remote learning. I really like you take the best solution for the moment.  
But if they still going with remote learning in home, I really appreciate if school does it the BETTER WAY. In my opinion the way they did was terrible. The teacher send to us many activities for children do it with parents. Was really hard to deal with child, free time, work. And I don't have acknowledge TO TEACHER. FOR ME WAS HARD EXPERIENCE. Especially because I need to try teaching my son AND thinking in English language ( my language is Portuguese).  
My opinion THE TEACHERS can do the class by online. Set up day and time, can be every day Monday to Friday, turn on computer, the children and teacher online in virtual class, and the teacher teaching your subject , she give to the children your class. The children can ask her if they have questions, if they don't understand to explain again. They can have a class with teachers by computer. When the teacher done all subject of day, she tell to them about homework and we take care with child the homework. CAN BE LIKE NORMAL DAY OF SCHOOL.  
I saw many countries doing this, and many school in USA doing this.  
The way my son school did, I really think was terrible way to do. Gave to me more responsibility and acknowledge than I could handle and than I have acknowledge.  
The teachers can do more than they did. Do real class online, all teachers with the different subjects.

Recognizing that the Corona virus/COVID-19 is a fluid situation is paramount. The health and safety of the D47 Staff, our children, our family, and the public are all at stake I believe D47 should move in lockstep with the pre-Trump CDC guidelines (including face mask required, no class rotations for students (teachers rotate), and no lunch in cafeteria. The goal has to be to limit interactions. If UV treatment for the HVAC system and additional fresh air exchange can be implemented those should be placed on the critical to do list (assuming you have forced air for heating/cooling and not radiant heat). Regarding transportation there is no good solution aside from moving to less dense models (understanding there is increased cost is an acceptable outcome/has to be dealt with at a county level - good luck with that!). Franks has shown to be out of touch with reality with regard to the pandemic.

How do you expect kids with asthma/chronic lung disease to wear a mask all day.

#1 - Necesitamos que nuestros niños vuelvan a la escuela para que sigan su vida y aprendiendo como lo hacían antes, porque el aprendizaje en casa no es buena idea ya que los niños no aprenderían nada.

#2 - Es necesario que los niños vuelvan a la escuela para que ellos sigan aprendiendo ya que en la casa no aprenderían nada.

I spoke with both of my children about returning to school and having to wear face mask all day while on the bus and in school. Neither one of my children feel comfortable wearing face masks ADHD and feels that the mask would prevent him from being able to focus during school because it is uncomfortable for him to wear. My youngest son wears glasses and has an issue with these fogging up while wearing a mask which would make it difficult for him to be able to see during instruction. If in-person instruction continues with the requirement to wear a mask and remote learning is not an option then I will not enroll my children in D47 this year.

I personally feel that splitting up the day/week between e-learning and in person would help for children with IEP's. An also be able to get the children new books, new paperwork weekly as needed.

Please consider making in person instruction optional, not required, but can be utilized if student needs help grasping the concept/lesson. Remote learning is the safest thing, especially with how quick the numbers are going back up now despite mask requirements, social distancing, limited gathering, etc. that are already in place. Plus, kids are not that good at grasping the seriousness of why we need to be so vigilant with those things, and will struggle to do them properly(exposing other unintentionally). Also, what are the schools going to do if there is a confirmed case from a student or staff member? Would everyone have to be quarantined and the school shut down for 14 days? This reality is going to happen, and repeatedly until there is better control of the virus(a set medical treatment plan that cures/or a vaccine). The short term hardships and changes we live with right now will not matter so much in the long term, because we can never get back the kids/people who could potentially/will lose their life to this virus. Also, the long term effects if you survive it are still unraveling, and showing to be debilitating(stroke, neurological damage, lung damage, etc). I have a feeling a lot of parents just need the help with child care and also struggle with homeschooling, but this should not be the reason we open the schools up. We should open them when it's safe to attend without the worry of this airborne disease waiting to infect our kids. Please be vigilant with the health of our kids. Again, this short term madness we are living with currently is not permanent. kids are resilient and will be able to adjust for now, and soon will be able to safely go back to school without fear of becoming ill.

If the district returns to full remote learning, how will students with IEP's receive their mandated accommodations when not in the classroom/building?

I am concerned about having her take classes at school with the ever-increasing number of people infected with Covid19. On the other hand, my daughter will also schedule to receive treatment through an IEP, and I believe that face-to-face instruction would be beneficial. I know that she can gain so much from communicating with her classmates and teachers, but it also increases the risk of infection, which, as a parent, is very distressing.

I am comfortable with my children going back to school as long as all safety precautions are taken, especially hand hygiene.

You're doing a great job, keep up the good work in an impossible time. (in relation to e-learning) Is there a way last years teachers could advance with their students so they all have a personal relationship with each other? I just think it'd be easier on both teachers and students to have a personal relationship, not just an online one.

I would prefer half-time in person and half-time remote. And definately more rigorous than spring 2020

Another possibility could be 3/4 of a day of school, concentration on the main subjects. Also, if there are parents who will not send their kids to school due to virus or that have the ability to be home and not work and are willing to do Elearning, that may allow for smaller classroom sizes for those that would like their children to have in person instruction. Also, for those parents that have to work and have no care at home other than older siblings, the Elearning for some may have to be done when the parent gets home at night. I struggled with my son the entire Elearning session this past time and cannot imagine him doing it on his own.

It's hard to Choose in person learning when you have no idea what it is going to be like for the kids! Need more clarity on in person learning before being able to make a safe educated decision for our children!

I believe having in person instruction would benefit my son more than remote learning. If it is not possible to do it everyday I would at least like for him to have even just a few days of in person instruction. It would benefit him more academically

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| Half days would be extremely difficult for our family. If the district chooses part time in person model, It would be preferable to do the 2-3 day's  |
| Thank you for all the hard work and intentionality you are putting into keeping our kids safe, so grateful for our district staff.  |
| Half day would be extremely difficult as Both parents work in our household. We would rather kids go 2-3 days a week in person and the other days of the week remote. Both kids in the family to go to school on the same day, Due to childcare.  |
| The usage of mask doesn't bother us we agree we would also like implementation of face shells to add protection since on of my kids is high risk  |
| We want our child in school with masks, social distancing, and temperature checks of both students and staff conducted by school (not parent/self-certification), hand sanitizer and appropriate disinfecting. We also believe that a split schedule provides the best opportunity to be able to implement these precautions to the fullest extent possible. Further, we believe the 1/2 day every day AM/PM is the best option for working parents as it is consistent day to day and week to week thereby making easier to plan childcare and allows parents that are able to work from home to have focused time to work at home every day rather than certain days of the week and not others.  |
| We are leaning towards remote learning for the first semester, but are anxious to hear what that will look like. Hoping for more teacher screen instruction/ learning than the spring.  |
| It's very hard to answer this survey when you have multiple children in different buildings. Our son will be at CLC and I teach at Woodstock High School. 4 different buildings and what happens if we all are going to school at different times. I can't leave my children home assuming they are getting on the remote part of the day without guidance from myself. My husband works. None of this makes much sense to answer if I don't know if my girls are going to be going the same time my son is at the high school. And how will that vary from what my schedule will be. This is all very scary and very reckless by our government. I realize the district is trying to get an idea of what the public might want, but because the guidelines are changing every week, these questions are very hard to answer and be taken with seriously. |
| We would be able to transport to school with some days needing the bus to bring our child home. I feel that a couple days a week with a split between students attending separate days with the same group of students would be a great way to prevent the spread of COVID19. We had a great experience with remote learning this past spring based on hearing what other districts had done. We are willing to provide our student with extra supplies if necessary to cut down on the number of students handling different items. We also recognise in person learning with mask required will be difficult for elementary aged students, and believe the district will make the best decision for the safety of staff and students. Thank you so much for asking for input.   |
| Fuck Covoid open the school's! Goddamn stupid!  |
| My son has asthma and his school room will not be air conditioned. This is our reasoning behind the half day option. My son does not want all remote learning: he missed seeing his friends and his teachers at school.   |
| No easy solution, thank you for trying the best way to work through this.   |
| Potential idea of extending the school year to be year round to help accommodate fewer people in the building at a time/ staggered attendance?  |

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| <p>I'm concerned with self certification for temperature taking. Kids are sent to school sick all the time..how are we to trust that? Also, I'm concerned about how social distancing would be enforced.</p> <p>What are the procedures if someone tests positive for Covid? Does the school shut down? There are too many unknowns right now and with cases rising I don't feel it's safe to have kids in school.</p>  |
| <p>I would, ideally, like to see a combination of remote and in-person attendance. 2 days of remote/2 days of in-person with a prep day for staff. If this is not a possible option, we would prefer remote learning. However, our expectations for speech services for our youngest child would need to improve GREATLY!!! We would also like to see more regularly scheduled math, reading and writing small groups, as well as more large group zoom/hangout class meetings. Once a week was acceptable in the Spring, given the immediacy of the situation, however, that same protocol would not be acceptable coming this Fall. Ultimately, we want to see everyone in the safest environment possible!</p> |
| <p>As a teacher and parent at North, depending on what the first trimester looks like for teachers will determine how much flexibility I have in providing transportation. I do not think that wearing a mask all day and expecting all students to follow IDPH guidelines is realistic given how overcrowded North is. I am nervous about how safety during lunch would work when masks have to be removed in order for students to eat. I am also nervous about how break times and recess will look when students will be able to remove their masks while socially distanced. This is a lot of ask of an 8 year old who just wants to play with her friends.</p>  |
| <p>I am depending on the RE-opening of the school for my child. I am a single, working mom.</p>   |
| <p>Both my husband and I teach in a different district so some responses regarding childcare could change depending on what decisions are made.</p>   |
| <p>I will want to make sure my 3rd grader and kindergartener are on the same Schedule and can sit together on the bus</p>   |
| <p>If there is a different schedule you decide on where kids switch days each week, example 1st week is mon, wed and friday and next week is tues Thursday, I would like for you to keep in mind siblings should attend on the same days so parents do not need day care every day of the week.</p>   |
| <p>Half of the day in school should be core focused and the e-learning half should be encores that could be taught/ participate via zoom. The smaller the class size and less time in close quarters with other the better.</p>   |
| <p>I'm still completely on the fence. I want life back to normal. But I fear with cases rising that shut down and quarantine will just come back if they start in person. I am willing to work with whatever is deemed best for our children.</p>   |
| <p>If social distance can not be maintained in every classroom then our child will not be returning to the classroom u til the pandemic is better controlled.</p>   |
| <p>I am very concerned about the health risk for both the children and adults. We must make the wisest decision possible. I hope the district put safety at the forefront of thier decision.</p>  |
| <p>Lo más importante es q usen mascarilla a un q no usen distanciamiento están protegidos</p>   |
| <p>I am not sure about the 3 options for in person. If there is in person instruction, how do half day or two days a week make it any safer? Would this assume only 1/2 of the kids are in class at any given time?</p>   |

I continue to struggle between full at home learning and half days where there would be no lunch time and 6 ft. social distancing and masks. I think even 3 hours like this will be too much for kiddos. Maybe 1.5-2 hours with a teacher and then some at home work, physical activity at home, some art and music at home, and some reading at home. If numbers continue to climb as they have in the last few days I would not even consider a few hours at school. If I won't meet with 12 adults in my own conference room for an hour how can I think it's ok for my child, other students, and her teacher to be in a room for more than an hour. Kids are going to have a harder time keeping masks on. While kids may remain healthy they could be spreading the virus between households. We have done a great job at keeping the virus from reaching our children and I would like to keep it that way. The risk is too great to our community. I do not come to this decision lightly but feel that at this time full at home instruction is the most safe option for my child. I want teachers and staff to stay well and healthy. I will need to learn how to be a better at-home partner to our teachers so I can help my daughter learn. At home learning will continue to upset my own work schedule as it has since March but I am a mom first and a business owner and attorney second. I'll figure it out but I won't be able to figure it out if my daughter or one of her cousins forever suffers from respiratory distress because I didn't follow my gut instinct to protect my child.

Our son is scheduled to attend 1st grade. I think the only sensible way to learn reading and writing is by in person daily classes. Children need schedule, interactions and various activities. If we are to continue elearning or utilize the blended schedule one of parents would need to give up his/her work to be able to do schooling at home...

I feel middle school needs to go back full time. Kids understand the rules and can abide by them

I feel they should go back full time 5 days a week. The first reason being my son in PreK is on an IEP for speech. This is so important for him to get help with in person or he will most definitely not be ready for Elementary school. We also want to establish a school routine and social skills that are so important in early childhood development. Another reason it's important for them to be in school full time again is for the parents that have to work. If they are not at school then they are going to so type of childcare after or on off days and that just exposes them to another group of kids and even more germs. Another reason they should go back in August full time 5days a week is in case during typical "flu" season there is a spike in Covid then they can try to move to part time and wouldn't have to eliminate in person instruction completely. Lastly, for the parents who are passionate about not sending their children for in person learning at all, they can do e-learning or homeschooling and that reduces the number of kids there for that parents who are comfortable sending their children. Please, strongly consider how important it is for these kids to go back to full time in person learning is. Thank you!

I feel in person School is so important. However, I am deeply worried about someone on the schools getting sick. What will be the consequences? I have four children in three different schools and my husband is a teacher in a fourth school. How will this affect everything if anyone is exposed? These are hard times and I don't envy the choices that have to be made. I also know that no matter what is decided, someone is going to be upset. Thank you for all of your time.

Thank you for finding a way! I would like to see my kids in school and meeting their teachers. I would also like the social aspects of school to be left in tact (encores, gym, etc.) be allowed if they kids will be there. That said, school is over a month away and new information is available daily so I reserve the right to change my mind between now and day 1.

I feel like the staff and teachers will be more focused on making sure the new guidelines are implemented rather than educating our kids.

Concerns:

Mask wearing an entire school day

Stuck in classroom entire day

If the district decides to go with face to face instruction at ANY capacity, my son will not be in attendance. I will either exercise the remote learning option available to us via the district or I will withdraw from the district and home school my son.

I am very lucky to be staying at home so I am flexible to provide transportation for my children and others. I think structure with school, friends and academics is important for the kids, so I am in favor of them getting some kind of routine in place with in person instruction. I also feel very blessed to be part of D47 and know that you will do your best to care for the kids during these unprecedented times. Thank you for your hard work in leading and guiding the district!

We think it may be wise to delay the start of school until September to both observe the effects of in-person learning in other schools and to allow the district more time to prepare.

We are not comfortable having our child return to school with the mandatory masks and other safety measures Illinois has outlined. Our child has anxiety about wearing a mask, and additionally we believe he would struggle learning spanish (dual language) with teacher/staff wearing masks. I think my child's mental/emotional health would be better at home given these circumstances.

Our family supports in-school learning, however, we're hoping after the first trimester, the masks will no longer be necessary. We do not agree with wearing masks at school all day but we will follow whatever guidelines that are given to us. Having a nurse as a neighbor, she tells me about needing to take her mask off sometimes because breathing in her own carbon dioxide during her shift can make her feel light-headed. Denmark among other countries have reopened schools and have followed health and safety guidelines that do NOT involve wearing masks. My sister-in-law is a speech pathologist in central IL and watching her students' verbal communication is paramount for her line of work. She completed her preK screenings last week and told me that half the kids weren't wearing their masks correctly while others were chewing on theirs. Masks will ultimately be more of a nuisance and disruption in class. I do strongly urge the idea of monitoring temperatures for students and faculty. My other sister-in-law currently lives in Hong Kong and she told me she has to check her kids' temperature each morning and log it in a book that gets sent in their backpacks. The kids are checked for fever again upon arrival at school as well as periodically during the day. This log ensures that both the parents AND school are working together and keeping track of kids' temperatures. I am hoping that D47 has a similar guideline (parents AND school track children's temperatures). I'm afraid of if there's a parent who checks their child's temperature (which is at fever level) but logs it in at a lower temperature and sends him or her to school anyway (for reasons such as they can't get a sitter or can't afford to miss work). I want the school to stop that child from entering the school and contaminating other kids or teachers. Sooo many D47 reminders go out to parents about the 24-hour fever free guideline...this disturbing event does happen so it's more important now more than ever to limit the feverish kids arriving to school.

My daughter is special needs and needs a Para nearby for safety, occasional help with lunch items and bathroom needs. She may not be "high-risk" for Covid outright, but because she has an extensive medical/surgical background and because of her physical challenges and other things she needs help with, she may have a harder time keeping "safe" in this environment. Although I would not feel comfortable with others NOT wearing masks- and she has worn them herself without complaining - I feel wearing masks all day, along with all the new rules and keeping kids apart may just be too tough an environment to learn well in - especially for those special needs students that already have challenges in school. I'm torn because I know we would all love to have everyone back together, but I'm not sure if all the restrictions, keeping kids away from each other, wearing a mask all day, the additional exposure threat and the nerves undoubtedly all will have throughout this new environment will help with the social/emotional aspect of in-person school and teaching material to students? In a few weeks things could change and I may feel differently, but based on what I see daily on the news, or even the recent attempts to start up athletic summer camps, or other kids camps in the Chicago suburbs and how quickly cases have arisen, it seems to support the thought that close proximity is not wise at this time.

I understand the importance of my children's education. I just don't feel comfortable for my children to attend school yet at this time due to the covid-19

While we do not need childcare, I do work from home and cannot have 2 school age children home all day while I am working. I would really prefer in-person 5 days per week for school. Thank you for sending us the results for the last survey, and I look forward to the results of this survey as well. Thank you for all of your planning and taking all things into consideration.

I feel remote learning would not be adequate for First Graders. Remote learning in the Spring was very difficult for Kindergarten kids, especially when an IEP is in place.

I am extremely concerned about the safety of my child and the possibility of her bringing the virus home and infecting our family, who are in higher risk categories.

I would rather have my child stay home and do remote learning because she would not be able to keep a mask on all day. She has ADHD. Also we have family members that are at high risk for Covid.

I think school opening should be put off. Money's being wasted and kids are in danger.

I'm worried about the lack of a/c at Husmann and wonder if there are any options for providing that this fall.

xxxxxx - It is high risk to have face to face learning this time. E-learning should take place until vaccine is available to public.

xxxxxx - Confirmed case is still increasing even with IDPH guide lines. It is only matter of time to be the next confirmed if we send children to school in-person.

It is paNdemic. We should keep e-learning until vaccine is available to public.

The kids need to get back to a normal routine as soon as possible.

xxxxxx- Do not rush this pandemic. Let's keep our community/ families safe. Our children are resilient they will all bounce back.

xxxxxx - If I do not agree with or feel safe/ comfortable sending my children to school we will be making other arrangements to make sure the health and safety of our family is our number one priority.

xxxxxx - Although we wear masks and believe they work, I do not think that effective mask use is possible or even a reasonable expectation among 1st & 2nd graders for hours at a time. We have children with asthma and small airway due to premature birth. We have family members who are pregnant, have asthma and autoimmune disease. We are not willing to fully quarantine ourselves from all family again just to put our children in a stripped-down version of in-person instruction that comes with only limited social benefits. I hope you will give each family a chance to decide what is best for them, but at this time, for our family, remote learning is the best option.

xxxxxx - Being that there are families on both sides of this argument, it only makes sense to offer in person and remote learning and let each family decide. Kids will not properly wear masks all day and it's proven that this virus spreads through droplets, let people who don't believe this is a major issue send their kids. While those people who are educated and follow proven scientific FACTS keep their kids (and family) safe at home for remote leaning.

Thank you for all that you are doing. I feel comfortable and confident in District 47's decision making process. We appreciate you!

Wondering if plexiglass around the desks is an option. I feel children need visual queues from their instructors.

Has it been considered to take much of the day outside. PE, Art, Stem, Reading time. Students could bring their own towels or yoga mats and spread out on that side field. I really feel for most students education and social aspects school needs to be back in session. The regular school day learning as much as possible in case of another shut down. Daycares are doing it so schools should be able to as well.

I know that you are two different school districts, but I hope that D47 is able to align with D155 as much as possible since I have children in both districts.

Bad surveys will generate a result, but the result will not be indicative of what people actually are thinking. This stinks of just trying to gather some "consensus" so that decisions makers can point to the results and wash their hands of any real decision making or culpability. The reality is this is no way for governance to work and whoever created and approved this joke of data gathering should be ashamed. I will provide the following though. I am not sure what the future will look like. I am sure that half measures will not work. Expecting small children to wear masks, and follow distancing guidelines is a futile effort. The kids will touch things like faucets, pencil sharpeners, doors, and they will touch their faces. If Covid-19 is present it will spread. Having kids there half time will only extend the duration it takes to spread and keep the school on lockdown longer.

It seems to me there are really only two logical choices. Open up fully and pray we don't all get sick. Stay shut down and not be the cause of the spread. Either way the decision makers will have to live with the decision and by no means does a poorly written survey change that.

Inherently, the smartest decision you can make is to push the start of school back two or three weeks. Wait and see what has worked around the state and country and what has been a complete failure. The CDC guidelines are not some sort of panacea. Starting a few weeks late with best practices and lessons learned sorted out will be best for everyone. Moreover, it will allow parents the ability to see what school care will actually look like and what the likely outcome of sending kids to school is. No one wants to go into this blind. So let's not do that. Push the start of school back two or three weeks so we can all be better informed about our choices.

Thank you for your hard work in trying to set up the best and safest circumstances for our kids, families and educational staff. That being said, I think you have a challenging predicament given the unpredictability and often asymptomatic or delayed symptom presentations in carriers and the spike of COVID cases in many more open states.

In order to feel comfortable with in-person learning, I'd like to see small student to teacher ratios (10:1), split class schedule (Group A M/T, Group B Th/F with alternating e-learning and possibly only AM in-person), social distance adherence (at least 6ft), consistent mask use, an improved ventilation system and a specific plan for addressing increased infection rates at school and locally.

Ideally, and unlike typical heterogeneous school models, for optimal growth in these potentially limited face to face education hours, I think children would benefit by being grouped in academically matched levels (math and language arts), small pods of around ten kids per teacher.

Much like the small groups of typical classrooms.

For a more positive e-learning experience, I'd like to see more direct teaching via Zoom, greater communication and time to support learning at home (especially for larger projects, daily schedule releases the day before), and focus on individualized learning needs such as EC options/pods for qualified students to instill a passion for learning instead of boredom and underperformance.

I am a teacher myself in another district and have directly seen how covid affects families

And students. While

Inconvenient for families, the safest

Option is to keep students home, And teachers teach remotely as if they were in the classroom.

Provide teachers with adequate plan time. Provide students with lessons that promote online learning and have teachers

Avoid "completion work/busy work". While my kids teachers did an extraordinary job, other kids were not so lucky. I think for elementary students as well, if learning from home, sticking to English reading writing math and Science/stem subjects are more substantial at this age. (I myself am an exploratory teacher, so I realize what I am saying but this is given the covid circumstances)

My son will be entering 3rd grade the end of last year he used my laptop... he would not be able to continue doing that this year would be provided a Chromebook? Will there be more interactive learning?

I'm just not quite comfortable putting my family member at risk. If there is an online option we would much rather participate.

I won't send my kids back to in-person schooling until the board of education feels comfortable enough to start holding their meetings in person for a period of 45 minutes or more. If they are choosing to meet virtually for their own safety, then it is irresponsible for them to expect teachers and students to meet in person, even with masks and distance.

I STRONGLY suggest remote learning with teacher instruction. This will keep both our children and teachers safe. It's too soon to reopen.

Wife and I work 10 to 12hrs a day and cannot support learning online again

Can't wait to get back to school.

don't want buses too crowded with kids sitting 3 to a seat and not able to social distance

xxxxxx - Not comfortable sending my kids to school until a vaccine is developed. We should not be risking our children's lives until there is a definite way to protect them from this virus.

xxxxxx - We should not be endangering the lives of our kids with in person school instruction until there is full vaccination. This is not a trivial matter to be experimenting with. We have to protect our kids and continue remote learning for now.

xxxxxx - Sending our children back to school while in a pandemic that is several factors worse than when we kept them home at the end of last school year makes no sense. It is not safe for them or anyone else to send them to school.

xxxxxx - Frankly, the idea of having my child in school in person is enough to make me consider home schooling. The pandemic is worse now than it was when children were sent home for remote learning in the spring, and we live with high risk grandparents. I don't feel there is a way to keep our family as a whole safe enough to have my child return to school. There are too many factors that make me feel returning isn't actually feasible. Please, PLEASE consider the many at-risk families who will be potentially put in danger by returning and do remote learning. I beg.

xxxxxx - I would feel safer with my children being at home the first semester and possibly returning to school in the spring

xxxxxx - I believe for the first trimester remote learning would be a benefit and spring time possibly in classrooms again

If possible I think a good option would be half days for students whose parents would like to have their kids go to school and then remote learning for parents kids who don't want their kids at school so for example teachers work until noon give or take with kiddos at in the classroom when they leave the teachers can have a break and then get on soon calls with small groups of kids and do zoom elearning with them for the rest of the school day 130/330 etc five or take

While in-person instruction in a non-pandemic setting is clearly the preferred experience for students, family, and staff, we are experiencing a once-in-a-lifetime pandemic during which our family feels that we have an obligation to make as first priority the long-term health and safety of the entire community (students, staff, families, and others). What is more, given both the uncertainty and variability with regard to the pandemic's evolutions, progression, contagion levels, and long-term personal health outcomes, at this time we find it vital that the District and community err on the side of long-term community health and well-being, by continuing to physically keep away all staff and students as potential vectors and incubators of a virus of whose complete dangers we are not yet aware. Rather than acting in haste in order to appease those who may crave a return to normal, we must strike a "Trimester 1 compromise" that, while remote learning and engagement continues, sets in place the building blocks for later Trimesters. Some of these building blocks are as follows: access to increased, quick-turnaround COVID-19 testing; contact tracing training, education, and protocols; proper social distancing determination and execution; appropriate sanitation and related supply acquisition; modified scheduling, and childcare arrangements; uniform face-covering adherence protocols; bus logistics; and other interconnected specifics. We should take our time, and stay alive. Thank you.

The district needs to provide opportunity for kids to return to school safely. Children are suffering socially and emotionally and it is healthy for children to have other supportive adults in their lives and opportunity for friends. I am a strong advocate for going back to school in a safe manner. My child has missed his friends and teachers!

In person learning can be achieved in a safe manner providing our kids with education while at the same time their social emotional needs are being met.

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| <p>I feel like the younger students need more hands on with school. We struggled at home with e-learning. It was only preschool stuff but my kiddo likes the interaction with other kids too.</p>  |
| <p>I like the idea of desk shields. Is there an option for students to stay in pods and teachers to move throughout the school?</p>  |
| <p>Depending on the School starting time if my husband could bring him or not</p>  |
| <p>I would prefer remote learning with teachers performing live instruction either via webcam in the classroom or from their home. I would rather both the children and teachers be as safe as possible and healthy.</p>   |
| <p>Teachers are not nurses or janitors. I DO NOT trust anyone else's kid, and sometimes my own kid to maintain social distancing or hygienic choices. Unless the schools and staff will be strictly monitoring all students and reprimanding any students in violation, in-person schooling will be nothing but a breeding ground for this infection.</p>  |
| <p>If the technology to continue remote learning is available, why not continue to utilize it.</p>   |
| <p>I chose remote only, but if I would not be opposed to partial in-person learning intermittently during the school week knowing there was a solid cleaning procedure daily. Even though cases here in Mchenry county are still fairly low, there is still the possibility that this virus is airborne. Plus we'll be encroaching on standard flu season. I worry for my young child who will only be in 1st grade (which already makes physical distancing difficult for all) and for all the teachers and other faculty involved. Without the proper staff, in-person learning wouldn't even be possible. And the safety of everybody involved is what is most important to me.</p>   |
| <p>Thank you so much for your time and energy ensuring our children return to school safely.<br/>I am very concerned with the logistics of a small child sitting/able to sit with a mask on for 6+ hrs a day....especially in a school that lacks air-conditioning!!</p>   |
| <p>We are really hoping for a combination of in-person and remote learning. They need some structure and social time, but we would rather do full remote than full day in-person in masks (for first trimester). We also want them to be comfortable and have some routine with remote learning in case we all end up back at that anyway. Thank you for all you are doing to figure this out!</p>   |
| <p>All answers contingent upon the actual teachers xxxxxx is assigned. Based on our past experience at HBMS, we know that the instruction and rigor provided students vary greatly from classroom to classroom regardless of district curriculum or guidelines.</p>  |
| <p>I will not send my child to school unless schools are cleaned multiple times per day, all staff and students in attendance are wearing masks, there is 6ft of distance between students, there is limited movement during the school day, students and staff are mandated to have temp checks, and there are viable contact tracing protocols established. I honestly would be choosing full remote if my child did not have an IEP and need in person services. Those services last spring were not adequately provided under the circumstances and as a result she has regressed. If numbers continue to increase and the district can not provide a safe learning environment, my husband would be forced to stay home with our children and that is what we will do if necessary. This is a terrible situation and I know everyone is trying their best to figure out what is the safest option. I feel strongly this should not be a politically motivated decision made due to pressure from the government, but should take into the account safety of students and staff and families as the number one priority!</p> |
| <p>Because of the children being required to wear face masks in Lundahl with no air conditioning I feel that it is not healthy. The children would be very hot, no be able to breathe fully and get enough oxygen nor be able to concentrate as well. I work and have worked since March wearing a mask and I know it to be very warm and hard to feel like you are getting enough air.</p>  |

xxxxxx - If our kids will have to attend school in-person, we will likely need to use the bus due to our work situation. My feeling is that there is a lot we still don't know about how this virus is transmitted and if we are start packing kids onto buses and in classrooms, the number of cases will go up. I think it is important for children to learn together and have social interactions, but it is just as important to keep our community as a whole safe. I don't mind if my child has to wear a face mask all day, but without the social distancing, I think we are taking an unnecessary risk.

xxxxxx As a college professor/educator myself, our institution has gone the route of severely limiting both the number of faculty/staff/students on campus at any given time as well as the number of days we are on campus to interact. All lectures have been transitioned to 100% online with only the required laboratories conducted in person. I feel the school district needs to take similar step to ensure the safety of our children. With the virus continuing to move to a higher prevalence nationwide, rates increasing in IL as well as surrounding states and the recommendation of the CDC to continue to both social distance and limit the number of contacts, the decision to go to a face-to-face style of learn, I feel, would be a disastrous result on the health and safety of our school aged children and the community. I am of a very strong opinion that all students should remain home and engage in distance learning at least until the end of 2020.

My kids want to go back to school. They need socializing and they need to be taught by a teacher. I do not want anymore e-learning to be happening. Kids are not meant to be locked indoors all day and I'm not a qualified teacher to help them with homework.

xxxxxx - One of my children loves remote learning while the other one would like to be in school.

xxxxxx - There are so many unknowns with this virus. I feel that the school district is risking the safety of our children by giving into the pressures to simply reopen schools without the necessary facts being known by the medical community.

If children become sick or even die, this will be somewhat the responsibility of the school district I believe.

I am saying this confidentially to you and expect that my comments will be treated as such.

I believe that an option should be presented to parents of both remote learning, partial on-site and also full days 5-days a week. This should be done with a sign waiver from parents, making the responsibility of this decision solely in the hands of the parents:guardians.

Our children's health and safety should be the ONLY thing that is truly taken into consideration by ALL of you.

I find the first question of this survey extremely difficult to answer - I have absolutely no idea how I can say yes, I'd like my kids to attend in person when I don't know what that is going to look like. I also think at this point in time it might be beneficial to spend valuable time and resources improving remote learning vs trying to figure out impossible logistics and variables of in person learning. Top tier school districts like Stevenson and Glenbrook are not going back in person. Socially distanced in person learning loses many advantages of face to face instruction. I think this is an aspect a lot of parents aren't thinking about. Also, when one person gets Covid and it starts spreading, we will be back to square one and need effective remote learning strategies in place.

Even though I chose the e-learning option for the first semester, I would be comfortable with 2 full days of in person learning with required masks. I would prefer starting after Labor Day.

xxxxxx - Covid-19 is running rampant in many states. We have been working hard as state to keep it at bay, however that can change quickly. I see many people in our community who think this is over or "it's a hoax". I believe in science and what Dr. Fauci and the CDC recommends. This is not over and we need to be prudent. Kids are pitri dishes who have no concept of social distancing. If we open the schools this fall, it will very well be a disaster. I work for the district and I personally do not want to go back until it's safe.

xxxxxx - I find the idea of following any directive from Betsy Devos incredibly irresponsible and dangerous. Big Picture: Keep the health and welfare of all staff members and students in mind when making decisions like this. The only sane and safe decision is remote learning. Thank you for all your effort during this crazy pandemic.

#1 With a 3rd and Kindergartener starting in the Fall will they consider staggered schedules and keep siblings scheduled for the same week of on-site attendance? Same question for bus transportation; they should only allow for students to sit with siblings.

#2I have both a 3rd Grade and Kindergartener starting in the Fall; if remote learning is n/a would you consider staggered weeks to help with social distancing? Also, would siblings attend the same weeks and ride/ sit together on the bus?

I completed this survey saying I was ok with in person instruction. After doing research I absolutely am not. It is not safe for the kids or teachers

I would prefer kids have their temperatures taken before even getting on the school bus or upon entering the buildings. I would like more info to be shared with parents and teachers about increased cleaning protocols. I would like info about masks...will their be funding? Disposable? Provided by families? More info about what happens if/when there is a case of Covid...does just the classroom shut down or grade level or whole school?

I know this is a difficult situation, and we live in a time in which we are called upon to serve in ways we didn't anticipate. I am still very torn. I am for in-person learning, but it's difficult to overlook the challenges that puts on our teachers, and professional staff. This is also a concern for our students and their social/emotional needs. There will be no one answer or solution that will please everyone, but the majority of parents in our community are reasonable, and capable folks. Whatever the decisions are... they need to be made and communicated so we as parents can make arrangements, and personal decisions for our children. Has anyone taken a look at D-200's plan. They seem to be moving in a "peace-keeping" direction. They offer choices, while addressing the safety concerns for in-person learning. I know this tasks is a great one, but we need to move towards a solution, so people have time to prepare for the quickly approaching school year!

I will not send my speech child into a school bus OR classroom if he is mandated to wear a mask.

Adherence to ISBE & IDHP guidelines is critical for us to feel comfortable with sending our child for in-person instruction.

My daughter xxxxxx has bi-lateral cochlear implants. I understand and agree with the use of face masks; however the use of face mask will make it harder for her to hear. The district has provided her with an FM unit. We (xxxxxx and my husband and I) are concerned that the teacher wearing a mask will muffle the sound for her FM unit and limit her audible understanding. Are there any recommendations being sought for the deaf and hard of hearing kids? Are there recommendations for face masks with clear coverings over the mouth so that the kids can see/read facial expressions?

Also I have twins. I have always separated them into separate class rooms. Wondering if having them in the same class would limit their exposure/risk? Could this be a possibility/option?

At this time, we do not feel that the district has provided adequate information to allow us to make a decision. We are concerned for the safety of our children and their teachers. While we would like them to be in the classroom, given the current situation, we do not think that the environment would be conducive to effective teaching/learning. We think school districts need more time to fully plan out and consider answers to potential questions/issues that will inevitably arise. We do not want schools to rush to open and put children and adults at risk. We would fully support remote learning and think our children's teachers did a great job given the circumstances.

I am also a teacher in the district and it is hard for me to decide until I know definitely the options. If I am teaching in person, I'm unsure of my children would be on the same schedules and how that would work if they attended. My childcare option does include people considered at risk in the home, so I still have many concerns at this point and need to know official options to decide.

How can you possibly enforce face masks for K-2 students? What about all the kids w IEPS who can't wear a mask?

I have an elementary student and a middle school student, so I would need them to be on the same daily schedule if in-person instruction occurs 2-3 days a week. It would not work for our family to do a split shift schedule, as I would not have transportation or child care available. Also, I don't feel that proper disinfecting between AM/PM shifts would be feasible every day in every building.

We have someone living in the house with stage IV cancer. If there was one transmission that happened at school I would pull my student to remote only learning. My child did much better with zoom classes instead of posted assignments.

What happens if our child has a 504 and can't tolerate a mask as well as their anxiety with wearing a mask and feeling like they can not breathe.

It would be helpful to see the different possible models or scenarios for in person instruction to help our deciding factor if we are comfortable with sending our child to school.

I live with my father, he is severely compromised due to the fact that he has COPD.

Very nervous about the health and safety of the children and staff. I have elderly parents who are at risk for Covid and a newborn baby at home. My husband and I work full time and do not have child care for my preschooler and kindergarten age child. I don't know what the best option is but I won't be able to do school work with my kindergarten child until after I get off work.

If school is only 2-3 days a week please have children of the same family attend the same days as their siblings.

Half days seem as though it could help eliminate the need for children to participate in open seating without face coverings (lunch). I would love to still see the children receive their specials classes as well as continued learning/practice at home. I am deeply concerned for the staff and their own family's Health and ability to perform at a high level both at home and in school. I hope that a deep conversation is taking place to protect the school staff. Remember that they too have families and health risks too. We are aware that any decisions made about the school year will not be made easily or lightly. We thank you for your time and planning. These are not easy decisions.

If the state decides to reopen schools & we decide not to send our child, will remote learning still be an option or should I look for a homeschool program now?

I may have submitted my responses twice. Please disregard my previous response and use this response (1/2 day of school). Thank you.

Everyone needs face masks worn correctly and frequent hand washing or sanitizing. Please follow what the scientists are saying.

The mental and social health for the kids is not fulfilled with remote learning- all these kids are playing and hanging out together this summer, I understand the concern for teachers/staff- but I highly doubt they also are living like hermits and have not been out to a restaurant or vacation or stores or public places.

We all want the best for our children and we feel that our children would learn better in an "in school" setting but as things move forward this could come at a cost and may not be doable. We will respect any and all decisions that the school district chooses to make.

xxxxxx - My greatest concern is for my elderly mother and diabetic sister who fill the role of daily caretakers for our children. Exposing them to large gatherings of students/faculty will obviously increase their risk of contracting this deadly virus.

I am also struggling with the concept of our five and six year old wearing a face covering for 6-7 hours daily in a building with no air conditioning (Hussman).

As a teacher I do not want to be connected to a possible worst case scenario in dealing with a young person's life, as well as the potential impact their exposure in a school setting can have within their own households.

Will testing be offered to identify those who are carriers of the virus? This includes staff, faculty, and students.

xxxxxx - As a teacher in D47 and a parent within the district, I have a long list of questions and concerns:

1. Why was it stated that only one person per household should answer the survey? My thought is that this was done to decrease the amount of people answering so that the board and superintendent could get the answers they want.
2. The questions on this survey were extremely vague and did not speak at ALL about a hybrid model (which was discussed at the board meeting). I am very disappointed. This will skew results because parents will be confused. You are only offering 2 options technically.
3. In a worse case scenario, what liability does a classroom teacher have? I am extremely concerned that when something bad happens, I will be the one to blame.
4. As a teacher, if I have to sanitize, will I get hazard pay?
5. None of the board members or superintendent addressed the HUGE workload teachers will face if we are responsible for teaching both remotely AND in person. HOW will this work logistically and realistically?
5. Will you be asking parents AGAIN when they would like school to start and WHEN will you make that decision?
6. How will teachers be expected to deal with behavioral issues in a classroom?
7. If parents are asking to align with D155 schedule, why have we not considered unifying the districts?
8. In the previous survey, it stated that many parents want kids back at school---did they understand to WHAT capacity that may be?
9. How will teachers be able to utilize any support staff members that they need and that students require? (social workers, OT, PT, etc.) Will this now be the teacher's responsibility too?
10. If a teacher contracts the virus at work, will we receive workman's compensation?
11. Who will be help accountable if a 2nd wave of COVID happens within the schools?
12. Will classroom teachers be compensated for all of the extra duties they will responsible for?
13. My students will be at a school with no AC. How can we expect staff and students to wear a mask or even just function on a daily basis?
14. Some new studies are showing that the virus transmission may be aerosol --the issues are air circulation, treatment, filtering, and respirators vs. masks. Most of our schools including Husmann and the school I teach at have MANY of these issues. How will they be addressed?

I have many more and will raise them at the next board meeting. I am hopeful they will be discussed.

We would like to continue with remote learning. I don't feel comfortable to send my child because they are young and won't be able to follow guidelines all the time.

We are not comfortable sending our child since they are little and it will be hard for them to follow guidelines in order to be very careful on this Covid situation. It is very high risk for students to be at school during pandemic because of common areas that they use and being in same room all day with more people. We don't want in person instruction and we can do remote learning at home with our child.

While I am not opposed to the half day and alternating day schedules, they do not seem to offer any social distancing benefits. I am concerned about kids having a full day of instruction without recess or unstructured play time. This time is just as important in a child's ability to learn and mental health.

I want everyone kept safe, teachers and staff and especially the kids. I do not agree with opening schools, we may not send either of our kids this year.

My children currently attend daycare and they have not had any issues with the kids wearing masks, if the teachers make it fun and keep the kids busy they don't even notice they have them on

Would love for our kids to be back in school, but if Phase 4 is limiting us to 50 persons gatherings, what makes in person schools safe? I am still required to work from home. So, it may be too soon for kids to go back to in-person learning at this time. As hard as it will be to balance e-learning and work, I truly believe it is the right decision at this time. I am certain there will be another spike come flu season and I'd rather be safe than sorry with kids already at home. All it takes is one child to come to school who is asymptomatic and the downward spiral begins. We have made it this far what is a few more months for the better health of our children.

I am a bus driver for our district. I realize going back to work with reopening would be unavoidable for me. I would hate for my son to miss in person instruction, and regression- however, I do worry about his safety. He is ASD, and has sensory issues- and getting him to wear a mask is impossible. He has no spatial awareness for social distancing, even in a small classroom at pre-k with 10 or less students with him, daily.

Gracias.

Pienso que no es buena idea iniciar las clases en otoño los niños no soportan mucho tiempo el cubre bocas porque la respiración sólo guira en el mismo lugar y no es buena idea que vallan todo el día y los niños no todos saben guardar distancia social si muchos adultos no entienden y se reúnan a usar el cubre bocas imagínense los niños pero bueno que podemos aser más que arriesgarse y ablar claro y firmes con nuestros hijos sobre el riesgo que corremos en estos tiempos

As a healthcare professional, I am truly concerned for the safety of all the children. I only takes one person to potentially infected the entire school. Please please takes this in consideration when planning protocols for this 2020 school year.

I really appreciate you asking for parent feedback.

On a previous survey I indicated I would need bus transportation if my children were to attend; however, this is the first I have heard that it would be done without following the recommended IDPH, CDC, and ISBE guidelines. I am not interested in them returning, and currently prefer online learning. However, if they were to attend busing would be needed.

One item I have not heard discussed yet, for both remote learning and in person, is whether the district intends to still offer the extended curriculum (specifically for the middle level)?

Overall, I cannot support in person learning due to the presence of a high-risk individual at home. Also, the amount of time, effort, and resources it will take to deliver a sub-optimal experience makes in person learning appear like a very inefficient & expensive option. This is especially true since we will not even be able to adhere to the IDPH & CDC guidelines. There are so many unknowns, and unvetted policies being discussed, it seems the entire time will be spent dealing with new problems/challenges that could have been avoided if we initially focused on teaching & learning remotely. An important point to consider since all parties have acknowledged that remote learning is probable at some point, a scenario that seems even more likely after observing what has occurred in the states that eased their restrictions prior to Illinois.

Has the district thought about year round school with more breaks throughout the year? I would be all for that.

Please try and make this possible. Our future depends on our youths education...

I would like my children to go back to school every day full day even though masks are required. I think school should start after Labor Day due to no air conditioning at LMS. It should be cooler outdoor then, and windows can be opened to provide with proper ventilation. Also, buses would not be overheated and children would tolerate wearing mask easier. June survey results show many parents do not want their kids to wear masks at school and prefer remote learning. How about splitting students to 2 groups: group one stays home and has remote learning only, and group two goes to school and has instruction in person only. It would be less students at the school and easier to keep social distancing. My children need to go back to school for at least a half a day to increase/ promote academic performance/achievement and to prevent further educational decline.

It would be our preference to have all children of the same family to have the same 1/2 day schedule if we are doing 1/2 days. We think that masks for a full day would be very overwhelming to uphold and to maintain.

We are hoping there is a safe way to open schools so the kids can continue learning. I worry that remote learning my kids won't be getting what they need to learn new tasks. I have a soon to be 1st grader who seriously struggled with remote learning because she didn't want to work with me, I'm not her "teacher". With so much time off I'm now concerned about where she will be at. I worry for their social and emotional needs not being met.

First, the District needs to be aware of the rogue manner in which Glacier Ridge is utilizing it's Twitter account to retweet opinions from other states' governors and Twitter users that school must be 100% safe before returning and those of us who believe schools must reopen for our children's welfare also want to kill grandparents. This is a clear misuse of district resources and the individual(s) who manage the account should be investigated. Based on the results of the last survey it appeared as though all parties were trying to come up with a good compromise, as we should be teaching our children to do, but what Glacier Ridge has done throws that dialog out the window. We've informed other parents (most didn't even know they had a Twitter account) and we are all looking into private schools or forming a home school co-op for the fall. Glacier Ridge has demonstrated that regardless the results of this or any other survey that their intent is not to reopen with no regard to the students or those teachers who strive to educate them. It comes as no surprise that a day after these retweets the American Association of Pediatricians reversed their stance on school re-openings in line with the teachers' unions. Why is there even a survey of the parents when a school in the District has already stated their intent? It now does not seem possible likely that the District will really listen to parents. School and District Social Media accounts should be reserved for informational purposes only and those who run the accounts should be informed that their opinions belong on their own personal accounts.

Second, masks cannot be mandatory. For starters the District has a clear "no masks or face paint" policy that we are informed about annually in October. If masks are to be required this policy must be eliminated and should be in perpetuity. Next, many children has asthma or other breathing conditions which prevent prolonged use of masks. As an Essential Worker I am required to wear one but, even as a healthy adult, find that I must take breaks every hour. The previous survey pointed out that those with learning disabilities need to see their teacher's mouths which such a policy would make impossible. I believe masks should be optional with guardians signing off on which ever they option they select.

Third, several options were presented in the previous survey yet this one only presented a few with and either/or situation. Why not allow those who feel safe sending their kids to school to do so and those who want to take on the responsibility of teaching the curriculum to do so with mandatory Zoom meetings with the entire class and school assignments/tests that must be turned in for evaluation? Again offering choices for an odd situation instead of "one-size-fits-all."

Finally, as an Essential Worker I have three choices if I don't want to go to work because of COVID-19: take vacation time, take unpaid leave or quit. The teachers should have the same choice if they do not feel safe. Unpaid sabbaticals should be offered. Plenty of substitute teachers who could not work for the last 4 months need the work. Otherwise, when the normal flu cycle hits at the end of this year, will schools be closing again because that spreads a lot easier?

I sincerely hope the District looks into these concerns, investigates misuse of District resources and actually takes into account the parents and children. Kids are suffering and using them as pawns is vile. We specifically moved to this area for the best schools and feel we have been deeply let down. There are other options for education and we are looking into them in depth, others are too.

No quiero que mis hijos regresen a la escuela hasta que tengan una vacuna contra el virus .que las clases sigan en linea.

Face mask and social distancing are being the key to be followed to be safe from this Virus. I believe it is essential to follow that as much as possible in classes, school transportation and where ever possible till an effective cure/vaccine is found.

We are for what is safest for all involved. Only want to every one to be safe and Healthy.

If face to face instruction happens, I hope mask requirements are strictly enforced. I worry about the safety of the teachers and the students. As much as I want students back in school, the required safety measure of social distancing doesn't seem possible. My kids really want to go back, especially my middle schooler. They will be devastated if they have to stay home, but we all have to sacrifice for the health and safety of our communities right now. None of us "want" to stay home. It's about what is safest.

The bus has always been an issue with 3 children crammed in per seat. There needs to be limits to seating for children, certainly now due to the Pandemic. Preferably it would be great if children were paired up with one child per seat, in an assigned seat with the same paired child each day. Also, a concern is pre-school outdoor line up, gym time, cafeteria time or other activities where multiple classrooms of children congregate. These issues would need to be resolved before I would feel comfortable allowing my child back into the school setting.

Buenas tardes.

Pienso y creo que ya es necesario comenzar El próximo año escolar en Las aulas de clase, cumpliendo con Los cuidados necesarios. Porque si ya salimos Al parque, Al supermarket y estamos en contacto con otras personas en cualquier Lugar a diario, también se puede estar en la escuela. Para mi no tiene sentido que los niños vayan a clase tres veces por semana, o menos horas diarias, en Lugar del horario completo, normal. O es acaso que los días que no Iran a clase o Las que Horas que van a reducir hacen alguna diferencia con El contagio del virus. Si van a asistir a clases que comiencen normal . Que Las opciones Sean SI ó NO, nada de mitades.

-Will in person learning be prioritized for IEP/504 learners?

-Remote learning will NEED to be longer and better than this spring, and will all teachers in same grade level/same school be doing the same lessons/curriculum via remote instruction (big differences this spring)

-How will middle school classes be handled for in person? Some students need to change for levels of math, core, etc?

We are flexible and feel prepared to reenter onsite traditional learning after the holiday, at the beginning of year. We have begun dance already though, and school is more important than dance. Just hard to say!

Lack of AC at Husmann is an additional concern. We are in favor of mask wearing, but do want to make sure the environment is the best it can be. Maybe window units at Husmann?

In general, we are very concerned about sending kids to school safely. We want the CDC/IDPH/ISBE guidelines followed and enforced, as we believe this is the best guidance out there for a situation where little is still known.

Children need to be in school for face to face contact. They should not be mandated to wear masks! Masks are not healthy for a child to wear for 8 hours a day there is also no data to support that masks even work! Ask yourself why doctors do not use cloth face masks... well it is because they contact more bacteria from everyone taking them off and putting them in pockets or as kids will do shove them in backpacks then you go and put it back on guess what you just got sick. Your making yourself sick by wearing a face mask where there is absolutely no evidence to support that they even work!!! This is a control tactic for Governor Pritzker who lost his court case to where Illinois is actually opened up now so his Executive Orders since April 8 2020 are voided! Illinois also met its peak of this back in April so Pritzker putting in his EO to wear face masks in May is again control. We were sick back in January for 3 weeks which means this has already passed through the schools. My 2 year old nephew had it back in September of last year. Also Fauci and Redfield talked to the senate a few weeks ago and openly admitted they never told schools to shut down this past spring, so why on earth make kids going back to school wear masks that are just going to get our kids sick?

It doesn't seem feasible to expect a 7 year old to keep a face mask on for an entire day 5 days a week. It's a risk to the students, teachers and their families. I'm also concerned about who would be policing the masks, sanitizing, hand washing, distancing, etc.

We have given this a lot of thought, and both my husband and I are comfortable with in-person instruction in any format for all 3 of our children with masks as well as bus transportation, which we rely on, with masks.

We will figure out ways to work with whatever model is adapted. As for the last question about the bus, yes we'd probably use it but again, if it is not an option, we will get our son to school without, regardless.

How would it work for when kids eat lunch when they all eat in the gym? My kid and kids in her class get sick every year and don't think can keep up cleaning everyday. Just my opinion.

Having the children in school daily but for less time and in smaller class size & different shifts makes sense. Morning kids eat lunch when they get home. Afternoon kids eat lunch before they come to school. It's a steady schedule. Teachers get a break in between the shifts. But this all can change if our covid numbers are back up by August. Young kids are not good about social distancing & will they keep a mask on all day? More likely if it's only 1/2 day. That's a big concern.

I am for the teachers wearing masks but don't believe 5 year olds will be able to wear masks for an entire school day. This will cause most children to touch their face even more often as well as not fully pay attention due to being distracted by the masks. The survey was unclear so IF my child would be required to wear a mask I am would not want in person instruction

With the current level Illinois is in, I am comfortable sending my boys to school under the circumstance that they have a split class (one morning/one afternoon is preferable). I see this as the best option for a few reasons. It feels like a good compromise in a lot of ways. It reduces class size making distancing attainable. It takes lunchtime out of the scenario entirely, reducing need to remove masks. It's less time in a mask in general for little ones who don't like them. It still gives kids an opportunity to experience the school environment and know their teacher and friends.

My youngest twin has asthma. He had his first attack and was diagnosed the week we went into lockdown. It was very scary as a parent who's never dealt with this. There hasn't been much information available about how covid affects children with asthma, but they had labeled them as high risk to be safe. More information is now coming to light that they are more likely to develop covid related pneumonia. I know my son isn't the only one with asthma. Taking extra precautions is imparitive to families of higher risk children, or caretakers so a safe environment is available for their continued learning and development.

Ok, survey was wonky and confusing - hope I answered all the questions.

I will be taking the elearning option for my middle schooler. I MIGHT choose a 2 or 3 day a week option for my 4th grader if it is available. Otherwise she would also be an elearner.

Thank you for providing an elearning option. Keep safe. I have no clue how you guys are going to manage to staff all this lol.

When considering which choice I would choose for my daughters - If a split AB was offered, particularly if it is the Mon/Tues - Thurs/Fri option - - - - - I would want to know what types of classes are being taught while in-person. Encore classes don't translate well to elearning. At the same time, I don't feel it's worth it to send my kids in just for art/music/gym.

1. I AM wanting my children to go back to school in the fall, but if it is ONLY in the model of "all in", I will probably not send them due to concerns about how small the classrooms are and how impossible social distancing would be. I don't totally know what I would do, but I am not comfortable with my children's 25 person class size knowing full well that means 1-2 feet in between each child. That isn't happening anywhere else in the US (not at businesses, restaurants, etc.) nor in any other countries and I wouldn't want to be the first to try that out.
2. I REALLY like what Woodstock school district is planning to do, and I would love if this could be shared with the board and Dr. Hinz (who is probably aware of this):
  - a.) touchless temp checks upon arrival at school
  - b.) offering complete remote learning to those who want it
  - c.) AM / PM waves of students with cleaning in between those two groups (A/B plan to attend every day Mon-Thurs)
  - d.) the other portion of the day (not in person school) will be remote learning. parents can choose to have that portion of learning to be at home OR school will provide a work space at school with supervision (that will NOT be a teacher). The part of remote learning will just be skill based, not homework or anything that needs to be turned in.
  - e.) teachers are planning at home on Fridays.
- 3.) Finally, a unique concern to Dual Language would be that if choosing an A/B model, it would be important to have some native Spanish speakers and some native English speakers in class together in order for the Dual program to actually work -- so while other districts are simply splitting A-L and M-Z, I wonder if this would work in our Dual programs?

My sons school is not air conditioned so wearing a mask will be very difficult during the hot summer months. I support mask wearing. But don't feel like it is going to be practical in an all day school option. 1/2 day maybe. I also don't think that it is a practice that will be practiced appropriately throughout the schools. Also, Please consider how quarantine will happen as well. If there is a positive case in a classroom will the whole class be on quarantine? I'm a teacher as well in another district ... do I go on quarantine? My class? What's going to happen once regular flu season starts? As much as I don't like remote learning ( as a parent and teacher) I feel like for first trimester that might be the best way to help control the spread of the disease among children.

CDC website shows only 14 US COVID-19 deaths from 2/1/2020 through 7/4/2020 for children, ages 5-14. Let's get them back to school.  
[https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid\\_weekly/index.htm#AgeAndSex](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid_weekly/index.htm#AgeAndSex)

My issue with masks is that it's almost impossible to wear a mask with glasses. Glasses get fogged up. Kids are going to not wear their glasses because of this.

We are more comfortable with a 1/2 day model where there is no eating at school and they don't have to wear masks for an entire day. Our children need the direct instruction, however if we can't do that safely... we will be keeping them home.

Best model design so far, also adopted by our office is the wave approach, same set of folks in for a period of time, and remote for the next 2 weeks, allowing any symptoms to appear. Biggest concern with school taking this approach is families dependent on the child being in person attendance due to child care concerns, will often not report the child or family members having symptoms. (I was often sent to school with upset stomach/ fever and told I needed to be seen and sent home by nurse before I could stay home sick.) A temperature check at school is already too late, as the virus has been spread on transportation surfaces and school property surfaces. Changing this long-standing cultural mindset has proven to be the hardest in the US when it comes to illnesses and pandemics.

Our family would be open to a hybrid option if available

I do not feel that during this time of uncertainty/increasing cases of Covid-19 as we opened to Phase 3, it would be safe to open the schools and have so many students together in such small spaces and wearing masks would work.

We are not opposed to our son (age 4 y/o) wearing a mask and believe mask wearing is important. However, due to his sensory issues and cognitive delays, we do not believe wearing a mask the entire time he is at school is feasible. We are wondering what accommodations, if any at all, the school can make to support students with these challenges?

I originally supported the idea of going back to in-person instruction, but I assumed people were going to wear masks and social distance all summer. I'm worried about exposing my family to all those who have not been taking the proper precautions. Now I prefer remote learning or two day in-person instruction. I'm not interested in full-time in-person. Thank you for seeking parent input. I realize these are tough decisions for everyone involved.

If children are not responsible enough to remember their face mask will they be provided one on the bus or at school?

I understand that face masks are mandatory however I feel that is in an unrealistic expectation that the kids will wear them properly all day, especially with no air conditioning at my children's particular school.

Question #6: We would change our answer to B if the CPLD Extended Care program will be open to children when they're not in school AND will be focused on helping the children learn remotely during typical school hours. Both parents work full-time and cannot manage remote learning properly.

School Bus Question: Would like to see it mandated that children from the same family sit together in an effort to mitigate risk. Parents should be responsible for reinforcing too.

I would feel comfortable with face to face learning if the plans presented sounded like a safe environment for all students and staff. At this time I haven't heard a plan that has made me feel comfortable.

My child at RBMS is high risk but he also has a 504 Plan. He has a hard time focusing with remote learning. I would prefer a mix of remote/in-school learning as long as there are rules and precautions in place such as alternating days so fewer students will be at school at the same time.

Teachers need to make more effort with lessons. To find and use ALL things already on the internet, with no feedback when something is submitted, is not worth their salary that I pay through my taxes. I can do that myself. I agree that if something is already created, recreating it is a waste of time, but those things should be used as supplements not as the whole day lessons. I know that appropriate masks, with training on how to wear them can make a difference, but the ones we all have made out of fabric should not be considered as medical grade option that will stop any virus fully. And to expect anyone, staff or students, to wear them without ventilation is not appropriate. Everyone will be fidgeting with the masks and it will make concentration in the classroom for many difficult. Our staff and students have enough to deal with without added distractions. If the kids will not be able to socialize, relax at lunch, and enjoy encores what is the point of being at the buildings? If our staff can't teach and be close to students for modeling, encouragement, and feedback what is the point of being in the buildings?

We are taking care of our kids since the pandemic started. We do not want to send them to school and take the risk of them getting sick or one of us. This is very difficult because they like socializing, but at the same we want them to go to school without fear and feel happy going back to school.

If class sizes were 15 or smaller for a half-day or alternating schedule if class sizes were 15 or smaller for a half day I would be comfortable sending my children in masks. Under no circumstances do I think any child should wear a mask all day long! Nor do I think it is feasible to expect children to eat lunch in the cafeteria together!

I believe that in person learning from a teacher is essential, as I do not have the qualifications to be my children's teacher.

I believe children need to be in school. I believe, academically, they learn better, and they also have opportunities for social/emotional development. But, I am also a little concerned about how likely it is for the kids to keep their masks on all day. They are uncomfortable and, especially with the primary grades, it will be hard for a 5/6 year old to wear all day. I don't want to see kids being punished if it is hard for them. I'm not sure if a half day option would work, especially in the upper grades. I feel they need more learning time, as there is so much more information they are learning. If there was a way for smaller class sizes, that would be the best case scenario. Remote learning did not work for us. My children were unfocused and my oldest said she didn't learn anything. Being on a computer for that many hours a day, for young children, is hard and becomes unproductive after awhile. As far as the bus, I am really undecided about that portion still. We do not need it, but with pickup being so awful already at South, it would be hard to have so many additional parents there trying to pick up their children.

We most likely will only need bus service in the afternoons.

Would send my child back, if smaller class sizes w/ 6ft distancing, mask breaks, mask/hand washing enforcement. Split in person & remote would be ideal. If remote learning, would like the teachers to teach live & w/ interaction, vs. watching a video of someone else. xxxxxx - (LMS) had the gifted students watch a Kahn Academy video almost every day, which did not give the opportunity for asking/answering questions in the moment. Streamlined platforms would be helpful, too. Thank you for asking for our input. :)

I am most concerned that the high risk staff don't get sick

Thank you again for putting forth a second survey. Given the current state of COVID-19 and how fluid the situation is, I'm not comfortable sending my child to in-person sessions just yet. Furthermore, I don't feel we should put the teachers and staff at risk either. It's just not the right time for in-person classroom sessions. It scares me and I hope and pray D47 decides to do the right thing. What is best for everyone, safety! I feel that we need to let this year pass us by with as much time at home as possible, practicing social distancing and being extra careful. I feel there is a lack of leadership in this country which is leaving our school systems vulnerable and having to make these tough decisions on their own. Please do the right thing!!!

If you cannot adhere to social distancing and the CDC guidelines then you should not be opening for in-person learning. It's that simple.

Though I am against in-school learning this first trimester, I will follow whatever guidance the District implements. I am EXTREMELY concerned about the lack of social distancing. Masks and social distancing are a minimum requirement for me. I would like to suggest hiring additional teaching staff to help accomplish this, but that's not something in the District's control. Nor do you have the facilities to house additional classroom space.

I believe my kids (as well as all kids) NEED the structure of a classroom to learn their best. I don't think that's in question. I live apart from my kids and have a demanding work schedule, but I'm willing to travel on a daily basis to transport them to and from school if necessary to avoid the closeness of a school bus.

I just want to say Thank you for all of your hard work in this difficult time.

I'm opposed for the students to return to school because Covid-19 is not under control yet and lack of a clear plan to go forward. I highly doubt children will follow the protocols in place.

The half-day option would be an absolute nightmare for our family. Both parents work (we are teachers). The early release once a month in previous school years foreshadows what a half-day structure would look like for us. Those days are horrible for our families as we have to scramble to find someone to get our children off the bus. Now, we would be expected to do that possibly everyday? No way. We are not the only people in this situation. Either go with an A/B schedule or let them come everyday.

Remote learning with 1 day in class per week. Streamline the remote learning similar to an at-home learning program. With the current rise in cases, I don't see any reason we should crowd into any building.

Safety is paramount. Kids are not immune to this virus, but even at a lower risk, infected children can easily spread it to family and staff. Other states are experiencing frightening surges because they reopened.

Can they do live remote learning? So the students would be at home and the teachers would be doing live teaching from either the classroom or their homes.

As a parent, it's important to me that my children have some consistency. I'm very interested in what the protocol will be if/when someone in the building or in a school family's home tests positive or has a fever.

Regarding transportation, our 6th grader is starting lunch in the dual language program. I assume we could use a bus, but we live close enough to the school that we could drive her and pick her up. We will choose to do this in the hopes that it lightens the number of kids on the bus and helps others that rely on the busses.

I would just like to thank everyone for their hard work in making the best decisions for our future safety.

At this time I do not feel comfortable with sending my children to school. I feel remote learning will be best for everyone and keep kids and teachers/staff safe as this virus is not getting any better.

At this time we believe remote learning is best for the first semester to allow the district and teachers time to implement a plan to safely return to in school instruction. We would like to have a clear plan presented to our family before sending our children back to school. Our children do thrive in a classroom setting versus learning remotely and would look forward to returning back once it is understood what guidelines and safety protocols (besides wearing a mask and hand washing) will be implemented.

Rotating shifts for in person instruction w/ simultaneous remote learning to reduce class size, promote 6 ft distance. Plastic barriers between desks. Face shields (keep hands away from face, allow mask under nose at times) and face masks required or neck enclosure to eliminate face mask with shields.

Large TV at back of class for teacher viewing And inclusion of remote learners. Or smaller face size monitors at every other desk as if child were present in that seat. Capability of remote TVs to access 180 viewing when desired, With full sound and interaction capability. Light on top of monitor can Be activated to simulate raising your hand This sounds very high tech and costly but this may be our new norm. We need to protect the children and families with extreme measures while promoting normalcy as much as possible.

Just saying thank you for the work you're doing in navigating this complex situation.

I am really nervous about my special needs daughter who will be starting Bernotas in the fall. She needs the structure and routine of school but will have a VERY difficult time wearing a face mask and has not been able to tolerate wearing one at home.

I am not comfortable with my children wearing masks all day long. It's not healthy to wear masks all day long. Our body is not made to take in CO2. My boys would struggle to keep a mask on through out the day and would thus have a negative impact on their learning. The masks are more of a distraction and will hinder a child's focus on their learning.

Thank you for welcoming parent feedback. Appreciate all the care you are putting into this decision-making process!

Lets light this candle. Open school soon. Feel for all the kiddos who r isolated at such a young age. Practice social distancing and masks, but socially, these kids need interaction.

We are ok to have xxxxxx do 1/2 day MORNING SHIFT Monday through Friday.

I would like to see half the class do a morning shift and half the class do an afternoon shift to have social distancing practice. Therefore, the seating can be staggered. No gym no lunch only core classes.

Maybe something like:

Morning shift .. 7:30am to 11:30am

Afternoon shift .. 12pm to 3:30 or 4pm.

4 hours for each shift. I'm sure you will have students that would love to sleep in and start later especially the 6th graders who are not use to waking up that early. Like it was mentioned it's for the 1st trimester.

As much as I would love to send my child to school, there is still another possible outbreak in the fall of covid, on top of the flu. If a child/staff member falls ill will covid, how can we ensure it can be contained and not turn widespread? That is one of my fears...

My children both have special needs and existing IEP in place. Neither wear masks nor will I put them in the position to wear them for hours at a time as it is a hazard to their personal health. I would hope if distance/remote learning is an option that it can at least be more interactive with the actual teacher and other students rather than just utilizing more screentime and other programs/ websites. These only encourage imo more screen babysitting than actual relationship building interactions. My son necessitates more hands on skills with fine motor practice which worksheets help. Though pibti v out the heavy load has been a financial burden that I would hope the school can contribute since the overhead is being unfairly absorbed by my already much reduced income due to being at home with both my kids. My son's school lacks much recognition within the district not even being named as an option of attendance. He participates in Bridges Academy thru Chancelight. His school also lacks any assistance with any Chromebook, iPad to utilize which would be of much help. My daughter necessitates better social practice with other kids to work on her cognitive and relationship skills. I would hope that something can be created in regards to teachers having some sort of live class. Be it a daily presentation or activity with other students. My son has been neglected in therapy min for OT. Though his speech therapist has gone above and beyond her amazing help and commitment. My daughter received it a very small fraction of therapy min she was entitled to. We will not come back to school if masks are a requirement.

I work part-time from home, so I can be flexible with half-day in-person instruction or 2-3 days/week in-person instruction. I would really like to see my kids go back to school in some fashion, as I feel they gain so much educationally, as well as socially. Also, I'm able to drive my children to/from school. My only concern is that I have a middle schooler and two elementary schoolers. It might be tight trying to get everyone out the door by the middle school start time. Otherwise I'd have to leave my two elementary kids home alone, while I run my oldest to middle school. I'm sure we'll make it work somehow, just trying to think ahead.

I really don't want to remote learn but when you won't guarantee social distancing or class sizes you don't leave me with a choice other than to remote learn. I need to know what you will guarantee before I can make an educated decision.

At this time I am undecided if I would be comfortable sending them to in person school. I would want to know there were safety measures in place and I worry not all teachers will enforce wearing masks. However, if we do a part time in person model, I request that siblings attend on the same schedule.

I understand the school district is still working through plans and I would like to understand what the current plan is regarding classes if / when a student or staff member has the COVID-19 virus. Should this happen, will in-person classes continue or will the class (or entire school) be required to stay at home to quarantine?

In addition, I would like to understand the current approach on mask wearing in the schools. It has been mentioned masks will be required, but what does that mean? Is it for the entire time the children are in the building or are the more details about when masks are off?

More details around items like this (even as they evolve) can help me make informed decisions on the educational vehicle for my son this year (or trimester).

In my opinion, if social distancing can't be fulfilled in a classroom with 22 students or so ( full no. Of students), so the board might think of providing 2 shifts of school services. Morning and afternoon shift each with half number of students of the same class. So half of the class will come in the morning (7:30am-11:30am) And the other half will be from 12:30pm-4:30pm. Leaving 1 hour in between for pickup 1st shift and drop off 2 shift. In addition, classes can be sanitized during this period. Taking in consideration that siblings from different grades should be taking the same shift to make it easy for parents in terms of transportation. This will minimize the number of students in the classroom and allow social distancing. Thanks

I want to have my children learning, but I think safety is more important especially for teachers and high risk students.

I am concerned about what happens when a case presents in a classroom. What happens then?

Thank you for your tireless work on this. I appreciate that this is almost an impossible task to work out. But, I do feel strongly that our children greatly benefit from in-person instruction with their HBMS teachers - so even a few full days a week would be great.

What are bus schedules going to look like? What are the half day hours like? If childcare is needed what will that look like if we normally depend on E.T?

Mi hija tiene asma me gustaria q tomara clases en linea pero q su maestra estuviera con ella por lo menos 2 hiras por video llamada ya q hay cosas q necesita aprender y yo no se las se enseñar yo respeto mucho mas el.trabajo de todos ustedes ustedes son los verdaderos héroes porbq su trabajo no es facil asi q muchas gracias por todo lo que hacen por nuestros hijos regresando al tema me gustaria la esucacuon a distancia ya q como son niños no respetaran las reglas se enfermaran y esto hara q nos enfermemos en casa etc etc claro contemplando la seguridad de los marstros y sus familias siento q es lo mejor

I 100% do not feel safe sending my child to school with other children. The amount of times they get sick normally from others in school is ridiculous and now even with masks I feel it will be much worse and with much worse consequences.

We're concerned about masks all day with our son having asthma but plan to discuss with his doctor. We also do not want him to get sick or bringing it home. This is a difficult and fluid situation. We want him to learn especially starting Kindergarten but we also want our family to stay safe. If 1/2 days or alternate dates are the best option to keep social distancing and all children safe I think it's the better option than cramming all the kids together.

We would have no choice to send our children on the bus but don't feel it would be safe without social distancing. This survey really addressed only a couple of major issues. I think masks AND social distancing is necessary to return in person which is why I answered 2-3 days a week, assuming there would be less kids to a class on any given day. I do worry about childcare and vulnerable family members that would not be able to help. I find it hard to complete the survey without knowing any details about what protocols will be in place with lunch, recess, specials, etc. I do think in person instruction is in the best interest of the kids, but do not by any means feel it can be done safely.

We would love our children to be back in school full time, however with wearing a face mask it will pose an issue. We do not feel comfortable with them wearing it all day while at school. We feel it would be too much a distraction for all the children in the classroom, most of the children will not be correctly wearing their masks, many children would not be paying attention and fidgeting with the mask, and it is a lot to ask for of children to wear them everyday all day long except for lunch. Our son who will be attending Wehde for a speech delay refuses to wear a mask and would be unable to go to school if masks are required. We are worried about him getting speech services and falling even more behind due to this.

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| I wouldnt mind doing part time from home, but both parents work full time and we did not plan to pay for daycare in the fall. Masks for kindergartners are nonsensical. I have a sixth grader and a kindergartner. If they are home part time can they be home on same day?   |
| Should a teacher or child become positive, what will be the protocol. Further what would be the environment for lunch and recess  |
| still concerned, looking for more encouraging news with covid, and at best half time school.  |
| I think the option to do fully remote learning, full in class learning, or two choose the option of both is ideal. It offers every parent and teacher a little more flexibility for what best fits their needs. It would also help limit class sizes. I would personally like to see my daughter go to school 2-3 days a week and have 1-2 days of remote learning. Thank you for everything you're doing during this unprecedented time.   |
| My children were unable to focus with elearning. They truly need in person instruction.   |
| Not comfortable w kids wearing masks as they aren't in the affected demographic. We will be looking at private schools if masks are mandated. 5/6 year olds will suffer with this choice. Their current daycare only requires adults to wear and they are fine. I am not ok w masks on kids   |
| I answered to the best of my ability at this time of uncertainty. Preschool ended early and we struggled with learning at home, so I am really hoping to have in person in the fall, but also understand that things can change quickly. Thanks for all you do and thinking about what is best for our children AND the families :)   |
| If my child does take the bus I will need to know that it will be disinfected daily and after each route.   |
| If there is not going to be full day I will also need to know that somebody will be there to help my child who has an IEP with the help that he needs since the end of last year he fell behind because there was no extra help   |
| If possible, I highly encourage waiving the amount of excused absences for the year and creating online courses for those parents who feel more comfortable having their child learn remotely during this pandemic.   |
| As we become increasingly aware of a younger age group diagnosed COVID +, along with so little verifiable information as to how COVID actually affects young children - our family is not comfortable with having children return to a classroom. No matter what modifications are made to try to prevent exposure, it's not possible. Ongoing remote learning is the only way to ensure we can keep our child as safe as we've managed to do since school was released last March. This is an unfortunate, and hopefully short term, necessity. At least, in our family's opinion. |
| I need to know more information on dual language. How will me child understand a foreign language and learn how to speak it if face shields are not an option?  |
| If there is limited space on our bus route we would not have any issues driving our child to school.  |
| It would be good to revisit the face shield idea - our son wears glasses and they fog up. Also, Husmann does not have AC and a face shield would be significantly more comfortable in the heat.   |
| Really would like the option for face shield if possible, or if possible time during the day to go outside to get fresh air from wearing the face mask all day.   |

To whom it may concern.

I not only want to protect my child from exposure, I want to protect the other children and the TEACHERS.

Children wearing a mask for such long periods of time is not realistic, they will adjust their masks throughout the day (therefore touch their face throughout the day). My child wears a mask whenever we go anywhere, but I cannot ask a child to wear a mask for hours a day.

If the school opens up, my child will not be returning. I will sign her up for online schooling elsewhere.

Thank you.

I suggest if District 47 goes 100% Digital, the District goes to half-day instruction where students must Zoom in to their classes at designated times to have face-to-face instruction which students must have. For example, Periods 1-4 Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Periods 5-8 Tuesday and Thursday. The following week Periods 5-8 Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Periods 1-4 Tuesday and Thursday. Days can be shortened so students have time to work on homework for classes they attended the day before. How last year ended with on-line instruction cannot be how Dist 47 starts this year.

First thank you for what you are all doing. Have you considering having plastic separators added to school desks? have you consider renting tents and/or trailers to put on school grounds to add additional classroom spaces? have you considered having the same group of kids together with one teacher that will teach all subjects? how about increasing the ventilation? using other administrative buildings so there are more options? We parents are here to help please what can we do to best support you guys?

I do not believe, based on the science and data that's been provided, that children should be required to wear a face mask for a school day.

My child need social interaction with kids /peers & adults. My husband and I both work. So if elearning again who is going to teach her some random daycare? Having kids go part time is stupid. Where will these kids be when not in school?

They need 5 days a week consistency.

How can people keep jobs or pay for childcare under these circumstances?

My daughter said she would rather be home schooled then have to wear mask at school. I also feel that although it is not the easier option for us to home school, public school is not worth the risk to our family.

I feel wearing a face mask for the entire is just not acceptable! I understand social distancing. But I truly feel this will be extremely hard on the kids and teachers! I want my kids back in school, but not under these strict circumstances! It has been proven that wearing a mask for a long period of time does lower your oxygen and your immune system...so now we are trying to keep our kids safe from the virus, but will Now be lowering their immune system and giving them headaches from lack of oxygen! I believe it is just too much for the kids and teachers!!! Even though would be hard on the parents to remote learn...I think it must be an option...maybe those who choose to do remote learning , join their daily classes by zoom!? I do worry about the kids falling behind...I think having a teacher teach a class like they do in school but allow the kids to join in by zoom would help them greatly learn and understand much better! Just an idea!

As a district employee, my answers as a parent are dependent on my responsibilities as a teacher. If I am at school 5 days a week but my children aren't, I will require daycare. If my elementary student and middle schooler are on different schedules, it will provide daycare issues. I would prefer a 5 day program where students go home with their lunch. Personally, I feel the morning vs afternoon session does not provide the ability to clean between groups.

If School opens at 8:00 am and allows the kids to enter the building, no bus will be needed for my child.

If a remote learning program is to be offered as a possible option that will be greatly appreciated. For the First Trimester we'd like our child to continue her education with Husmann but at the given situation related to Covid-19 a remote learning is the option that makes us most comfortable with. Otherwise we will need to consider other options as only option such as homeschooling. Thank you!

Hi,

My wife was sent home to work from home, and is still currently working from home. My two boys were sent home to be home schooled, while I went to work during the day. We found out very quickly that my wife was not able to work and school the 2 boys. I was fortunate enough to have an opportunity to move to second shift temporarily so I could school the 2 boys in the morning, and then work from 3pm to 1130pm. I found out very quickly that 16 to 18 hour days were about the hardest thing I have done in my life to be sure the kids were getting their schoolwork turned in, and get a paycheck. My second shift time has ended and I will not be able to do that again. Since my wife and I both work, our normal school day for the 2 boys is drop off at Extended time at 6am and pick the kids up from Extended time at 5 pm. As long as the park district is offering extended time for the next school year, we would be in favor of 5 day a week full day schooling. I don't know how we would do half day school, and that would have to be supported by Extended time somehow. Remote learning is not an option! My wife and I both work full time. If we need to home school one of us will have to quit our job. If we quit one of our jobs we will be crushed financially. If the decision is made to home school I can tell you realistically what will happen in my home. I will continue to work, and my wife will be working from home which can change to her being called back to the office any day. While she is working from home she will be telling the boys to do their work which will not get done. They won't be able to work on their own, and their education will suffer. Any expectation from the teacher will not be met, and the kids will not be learning anything. We will not be able to participate in home schooling our kids.

Thanks

We are concerned about social distancing and the ability of our kindergartener to succeed in an environment with less built-in movement. We understand the need for spacing, and a half day seems more reasonable for this level.

We are both teachers at 155 and have a child in middle school and one in elementary. We would like as much coordination between all schedules as possible. We also have lots of similar ages children in our neighborhood, so grouping students by bus route (instead of alphabet) may also help families with childcare if neighbors can work together

We are interested in some days at school in order for there to be some sense of community and relationship with the teacher. However all day every day seems like a big leap to go from 0 interaction to full interaction. We understand that this is difficult and also creates a lot of extra work for teachers to provide both remote learning and in-person instruction and we completely respect whatever decision is made. this is an impossible situation that you are in and we know that you have the best interest of the children at heart. It will be difficult for us as two working parents to accommodate regardless of what the schedule is however we will do the best we can. The sooner that we know the better so that we can make arrangements. Ideally two to three full days is preferable to half days.

OPEN THE SCHOOL! The normal way it was before this nonsense! This is ridiculous! You expect a 6 year old child to sit in class all day in a mask?! The virus is airborne and nothing is going to stop it from spreading. Use some common sense and understand you are in a building with closed windows and recirculated air. A child will pass out from the mask...they are rebreathing Carbon Dioxide! Are you people STUPID? Remember that there is no mandate for mask wearing and it is not a federal or state law! If you fail to open the school 100%, I will seek all options to reduce my property taxes to limit funding to the school. It's not fair to me that I must pay my taxes to fund your salary and school if you are not open 100%. I just don't understand how you are allowing yourselves to be brainwashed by the media! You are on a fast track to communism!

My heart breaks that my son can't experience a safe and healthy school year, I want nothing more then for him to have that, but let's be real, I'm not willing to play roulette with his life or any other family members in the household!!

If doing all remote or partial remote I would love to see the classrooms follow the same schedule so kids are routined and have some requirements to participate in a virtual class experience. Possibly keeping up with classmates in a live classroom when they are home doing the virtual class experience.

If the positive testing rate remains low (below 5% approximately), I feel ok with my daughter attending school either full time or on a modified scheduled. Our family can manage with remote learning if needed and I would rather do what is safe for everyone than risk student, teachers or staff being at risk. I am in an at risk group, I'm pregnant, so being attentive to when it may be needed to switch to online learning is fine to me/our family.

Reminder that Students weren't able to finish the rest of the year at school. So with that in hand I hope teachers have an understanding that they will have to have more patience with students that may need more help. Also have the teacher zoom call More then once or twice a week. Be there for the student if we continue with e-learning Or seesaw.

While we selected in-person, 2-3 days a week, our child does not want to attend in-person at all. She is very worried about contracting the virus and thinks it's too risky. I don't think this should be ignored. If a child isn't comfortable, remote should be an option. It's stressful enough without The extra layer of fear.

I would also support a hybrid of some sort; 1/2 days in school 2-3x a week and online learning. From our experience e-learning it seemed like they were able to complete most of their work in half a day. How will you handle lunches/recess? I also like the idea of pushing back the school start date.

For the first trimester I will absolutely feel much comfortable with remote learning. If option like this isn't available I will consider home-schooling.

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| <p>Ustedes como distrito tomara en cuenta todos los protocolos que se deben tomar para el bienestar de nuestros hijos y la manera adecuada para poder regresar a la escuela y nosotros como familia entendemos que tenemos que seguir cuidando de la mejor manera para evitar el contagio gracias por todo lo que hacen por nuestros hijos y esperamos que todos los acuerdos que se lleguen sean para el bien de todos</p>  |
| <p>My 1st grader is in speech masks will not work for his education.... my middle schooler would not be comfortable wearing masks for that long of a period of time.</p>   |
| <p>We would need to have our children bussed to and from school. Both of us work outside of the district and getting to and from during working hours would be impossible.</p>   |
| <p>If masks are in fact mandatory, I strongly feel the half day school option is a must.<br/> I would prefer the school year start be delayed till after Labor Day.<br/> My kids are not enthusiastic about returning to school with masks.<br/> My hope is they will be assigned their preferred teachers (Pescola/5th and Stlaske/2nd) to help encourage them to attend throughout this difficult school year. My girls are sensitive in nature and would benefit psychologically in this uncertain time by having the comfort of their preferred teachers.</p>  |
| <p>I feel like it's not only detrimental to kids' ability to learn, but masks in 90+ degrees at Husmann is also dangerous to kids' health. I feel like it will be difficult to breathe.</p> <p>I think it's not an equal education to students in facilities without air, so the district should figure out ways to get air conditioning units in the schools without it, or they should have those students moved into other buildings that have air conditioning during August and September--as needed (the district office, other elementary schools, community building available). Also, I'm wondering if you reached out the community if some businesses might be willing to donate work hours or materials necessary to provide air conditioning.</p> |
| <p>I still prefer the hybrid method where the kids would still do e-learning or structured learning on their days they aren't in school.</p>   |
| <p>Keeping the kids safe will be the biggest challenge. The school isn't big enough for 6 feet between desks, and no air conditioning will make masks very uncomfortable. My concern is that teachers will spend more time policing behaviors rather than actual teaching and it will not be a situation conducive to learning.</p>  |
| <p>Our family needs child care. Currently, we have enrolled our children in the district's ET (for the first time) but are unsure what that will provide at the beginning of the year due to Covid19. We are going to have to manage work/school/childcare plans as soon as the protocol for school is determined.</p>   |
| <p>It's not so much about if I need daycare (I do), it's more about can daycare be afforded...it's expensive...</p>  |
| <p>if the school opens part-time or fulltime. i am unable to give transportation to school and from school to home.</p>  |
| <p>If kids do go back; are you utilizing the playground? I currently work at a daycare right now and the kids don't wear masks outside and can use equipment. They wear masks only during learning time but are able to take them off while eating and being outside. I would hate for my kids to not be able to go outside and play a couple times a day.</p>   |
| <p>Due to my sons disability he is unable to wear/keep on a mask. I believe, if a person has a disability they are not required to wear a mask. Has D47 thought about this?</p>  |

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| I prefer that the kids not eat at school so they can keep facemasks on. And band should be eliminated, for now.   |
| Our plan is to drive him to school everyday but there maybe some days where he'll need to ride the bus to school. He will need to ride the bus home most days.<br>I know they said that communication would be improved all classroom information should be posted on a website, no teacher emails. For instance, if i want to know what is going on with 6th grade math I go to the website and current information is posted.<br>Communication from the principal and district office should be streamlined and very limited with relevant information. As a family we cannot-work, help teach our kids and keep up with 60-70 emails a week.   |
| I need my daughter to go to school at least a few days a week. She needs the hands on learning and I am unable to do zoom calls for school due to work and being a single parent  |
| Although I do want in person instruction to take place, I am very conflicted about my daughter wearing a mask for hours. Hopefully face shields will become an option.  |
| I am very nervous but sending my child to school due to COVID. The only reason I am allowing my child to attend school is due to childcare.   |
| With my son starting kindergarten I would rather do remote learning and focus on subject matter until I am sure going back to school will not put anyone at risk  |
| I think that in person instruction is best with classmates and social aspects that take place-ultimately, I think our schools are the best place for our students to learn-I know the face masks may inhibit that and we don't really know what that will look like yet.  |
| I would like for someone to comment on what gains are made through daily certifications. Parents who send their kids to school sick will likely continue to do so. I don't see any benefit to what seems to me, like a waste of paper and time.   |
| I'm concerned about how the school will enforce face mask wearing among students on the buses and in school. My answers reflect the school/ district taking the STRONGEST measures possible to ensure the safety of the students and teachers. I want to know how the school will react when a child or teacher tests positive for covid? Will there be protocol in place to trace contacts to quarantine? I would assume that those with contact will be quarantined or tested. I want to know that a negative test for all who come in contact with the covid positive student would be required to return to school. I recognize how hard this expectation is, and the severe impact it would have on attendance. However, as a Nurse who has been treating covid + patients, I know how contagious this disease is. My biggest fear is flippant attitude many in this city have about the virus, and that lack of concern passing to their children, causing reckless behavior. I don't see how mask policy and social distancing can be enforced with current staffing... there simply isn't enough staff to control the behavior of that many students. Ultimately, while my answers reflect my daughter returning to school under ideal circumstances, I cannot commit to a school program choice until I fully understand the measures that will be put in place. |
| Parents should be able to sign off on not having their children wearing masks. The statistics and science do NOT support this mandatory requirement!!   |
| We live with my parents ( senior citizen) and my 15 year old who has viral induced asthma, so concerned that my 9 year old can bring the virus home to them if he's at school every day.  |

I feel unable to make a decision regarding my children's placement (remote or in person) as I am a staff member who does not currently know what the year will look like for my position. Because I am at a different building than my daughters it feels even more risky to expose ourselves to so many others day to day. I am intimidated by the amount of sick days both my husband and I would need to use should myself, our girls or one of their classmates inevitably contract Covid 19. At this point, I am resigned to the fact that it will likely happen to one of us should we all be back in school. If we are able swing it with my husbands' work we would choose full time remote learning for Trimester 1 but I am unsure that is viable. I know it won't be perfect and it is very hard on the classroom teachers, having lived it myself during the spring, but I simply do not feel it is worth the risk to rush our children back to school given that cases are spiking and surging at this time. I think I speak for many others when I say we want nothing more than for our children to be back in school. I have an incoming kindergartner and it breaks my heart that her first experience of school looks like this. I want to be teaching in my classroom. Desperately! I love this community and truly love being a D47 employee. I just want to be back in our schools and with our children when it seems reasonable and safer than it feels at the current moment. The xxxxxx family appreciates all that Dr. Hinz and CORE staff has done thus far to keep us informed and for their hard work shouldering the decision making at this time!

I will support any decision the school board makes. I am very concerned by the loss of learning and socialization that kids are experiencing this year, but understand that teachers and staff need to keep themselves and their own families healthy also.

\* parent of an Aspire student. His needs are NOT being met by distance learning. He WILL NOT be able to tolerate a mask due to sensory issues. I'd love to hear more about what will be done for this subset of students. Thank you.

I do not want my child to wear a face mask that will harbor moist bacteria. I am also concerned with which cleaning chemicals will be used. I do want my child to go to school.

My son will start 8th grade at bernotas but I have a child starting kindergarten at canterbury. I don't know how my kindergartner will be towards the masks all day

In my opinion, we failed our children this past spring. The remote learning was not very thoughtful by some teachers and on the other hand, some teachers did a great job.  
I am for herd immunity, the thought of a cloth facemask is funny at best. Covid-19 is an aerosolized virus with a particle size of .08 microns to .14 microns, the N95 doesn't prevent transmission of particles of that size.  
In McHenry County, domestic violence is up 7x.  
We hope our elected board will make the right decision for the interests of our CHILDREN!

The survey is somewhat set up to have you choose between in person (with masks) or remote learning or not at all. BUT later goes on to mention 1/2 day or 1/2 week in person (with masks) setting. Which I am comfortable with, however NOT comfortable with going in person 5 days a week full time with masks. That's too much mask wearing for my kid. So IF it were a part time school scenario we would consider sending him.

My daughter will be at Canterbury. There is no air conditioning, I would think it would unbearable in the heat and mask. So I don't feel comfortable with her going back when it's so hot.

We are not feeling comfortable to  
Send my kids back to school. Pandemic conditions are very uncertain. Wearing masks for 8 hours and school and on bus is hard for kids .  
And they can't concentrate on lessons at school .

will there be opportunities for students to take a break from wearing a mask, maybe during outside recess? My child is pretty easy going but I still think even a half day with a mask is a bit much to ask to a kindergarten.

For our family, the health of students and teachers is a priority. We do feel like our kindergarten-aged child would benefit from in-person time even if it is limited. We would prefer limited class size and the children limiting their movement throughout the building to avoid exposure. We would understand if the district needs to go to remote learning at anytime to ensure the safety of all.

My child will be an incoming preschooler and I am extremely concerned about a teacher being able to keep masks on a group of 3 year olds for 2.5 hours. My daughter does a relatively good job of wearing her mask but I can't imagine her needing to wear it for 2.5 hours. I'm also very concerned about how things will be handled if a child in the classroom has a fever. Will all of the children need to then quarantine for 14 days? Will my husband and his coworkers need to quarantine if our daughter is exposed to someone with a fever at school and he went to work? I'm also very worried that the District is against social distancing. It doesn't make sense to me that we are throwing CDC guidelines out the window because they're "guidelines" and not "rules." The only reason Illinois is not one of the 35 states backsliding with this highly contagious and deadly disease is because we followed the CDC guidelines when other states did not. And now the District wants to throw all of that out because Ryan Farrell and other Board members are making this political instead of about health and safety? No.

Although I filled this survey out saying my children would need to go back full time that is because I am a teacher in district and if you choose to go back to in person school I will have no other choice. I'm not excited that my children will be going back to school but at this time I am thinking I will not have another choice.

I would like to see some type of plan or accommodations done for schools without air conditioning

I refuse to do remote learning for my kids again. From mid March through end of of May was a total nightmare. Our house is not a classroom and always ends up fighting my kids to do their work, especially my 4th grader. My kids need to be in school, they perform much better in person. Why can't you make remote Learning an option for those parents that definitely want it and let parents who do want their kid go back to school have that choice.

To ask children to wear masks and social distance will be hard for them emotionally. If masks were only required in halls id feel different but its a school and some things are just not okay for them emotionally. All funis being taken away from them.

My son is enrolled in Canterbury for the dual language program, I have requested that he go to Coventry for the dual language program since my daycare provider lives down the street and walks the children to and from everyday. If he were to go to Canterbury, I would not have childcare. xxxxxx

I do not think it is possible to be safe with that many people in the building. The logistics don't work and it is not worth it to me to risk it. If in person is the only option, we would need bussing. I would like more robust communication with teachers if there is a remote learning option. Thank you for continually adjusting and trying to make the impossible possible!

There are no studies that prove wearing a face mask all day is safe. However there are studies that Show that oxygen levels drop while wearing a face mask. In person learning without face masks is imperative for our children and teachers.

I am excited for my daughter to start her school career by attending kindergarten and I'm also sad that this will be what her first year of school will look like. She will have a newborn baby brother at home and I am fearful of what she (and I) will bring home from the school setting to him. We will have an elderly grandparent helping us out the first trimester as I also work for a neighboring school district. Also, I would just like to add that I was appalled that the term "experiment" was used several times during the board meeting this week as well as a lack of care for social distancing if kids have masks. I do not want my child to be apart of an "experiment" and we all know there will be parents who do not send their child with a mask. So with the maskless children, teachers and peers will not have the protection of social distancing or a cloth barrier to minimize the spread? It seems like there is more precautions at the grocery store then what we are proposing to happen in our schools. Teachers are being put in an awful position where they're being pinned against parents and their health and well being are not being considered because "parents need to get back to work" and the "economy depends on kids going back to school". Teachers are not babysitters.

All kids need to wear masks or they should not be able to attend in class learning if offered

My daughter is in early childhood with an IEP. She receives her therapy services through the district. She's 4, and we work full time. She needs face to face therapy/instruction. Please try to make a separate plan for these little ones who are the most vulnerable.

We are not comfortable sending our daughter to Kindergarten full days 5 days a week wearing masks as she refuses to wear them that long and they give her anxiety. She has trouble breathing in masks and I am not going to force her to wear them all day.

I am actually ok with the option of in person instruction 2-3 days a week and remote learning the other days. Gives the kids the chance to see friends and learn in person, but still give parents a peace of mind knowing that they are home as well.

I do not envy any one of you, this is an almost impossible situation. As you are deciding how to handle this upcoming school year, please keep in mind the health of your staff as well as the children you love.

If half day or partial week classes are implemented I would hope the focus will be on core classes and not encores

I understand This is going to be difficult for all of us. But my #1 concern is for my sons education.

Thank you for all of your hard work during this difficult time. Our family appreciates you.

The teachers health and concerns I hope are also being heard.

My middle school child would likely be responsible for childcare of my elementary school student, on home learning days. Therefore, we would require same attendance days for both students, in order to have childcare for our youngest.

Masks must be worn at all times. I picked full time five days a week due to my child having an IEP and I do not feel he is getting the same learning experience from remote learning. Having said that, if my son did not have an IEP I would not be enrolling my him for classes. I know this sounds selfish, but we as parents do not want to see our son fall behind as he was doing great prior to COVID.

I feel school start date should be postponed to a later date. Remote learning, then 1/2 day and so on. Gradual return as things become more safe.

adjusting start times / end times, dates will create a lot of chaos with work schedules. If middle school let out AFTER high school, then us transportation might not be needed. Coordination with D155 knowing they are older and in position for child care support would be key. Also, I need the middle school teachers to be held to a higher instruction time standard if fully remote. Many classes in spring were office hours only and ZERO instruction. Highly disappointed with how that was executed in spring

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| I do not believe you can make a mask MANDATORY, only advise the use of and suggest it. You cannot force a five year old to wear a mask all day....  |
| It's not the wearing of the mask that I am concerned with, as much as any unknown physiological effects of wearing a mask for an extended period of time that could be harmful. Obviously also concerned about the possible transmission/spread COVID-19, since it seems over the years the majority of sickness that have come into our house seemed to come from the kids/school/daycare.   |
| I feel that if appropriate safety measures are taken, the risk will be at an acceptable level for my children to attend school full-time in the fall trimester. I trust the school's faculty has the best interests of our children and their staff in mind.  |
| I work full-time and so does my husband. It was very difficult for us to do at home schooling.  |
| Very undecided on what to do. Would like to know if kids can take mask off at desk? Will partitions be up? Lunch? Outside play? What if there is a case in the school? Would love children to meet with teacher in person at least once even if doing remote learning. If child is doing in person and gets a cold or other illness how easy will it be to switch to remote learning for a week or 2?   |
| I believe a combination model (i.e. split in person/remote learning days) is the best option until we can go back full time without masks. This way, students have in person opportunities, but do not have to spend five days a week, six hours a day wearing masks.   |
| We will drive our kids to and from school   |
| I want to emphasize that we are completely understanding of any and all decisions made by the board. These are difficult decisions and there is no easy solution. My preference is by no means an expectation and I am accepting of any solution even if that means full remote learning  |
| I feel that my son going into Kindergarten really needs some type of social experience and a good foundation for starting school. Although I am a bit concerned about sending him, I also feel strongly that being in a classroom setting will maximize his education. I have no problem helping him at home if E-Learning is the choice for the semester but know he would strongly benefit from personal instruction from someone other than me at home. I want him to have the best chance possible to thrive in his 1st year of school. I also have a minor concern regarding his speech and fear that delaying him the opportunities that the school provides to help him could delay him in the future. This is a very difficult choice all around but I also feel confidence in the districts decisions. My daughter graduated CL South in 2011 and I have always trusted the decisions of the school district here in Crystal Lake. |
| We're still conflicted. We'd like to try to see what is feasible for our child. We do have trust in the process, however I do not think it is healthy for our children to be breathing in their own carbon dioxide all day. Would it be possible for classes to take turns teaching outside so they wouldn't need masks? Maybe get a few shade tents?   |
| I would like to see the schools open, with some form of safety measures in check. I personally feel like we need to learn to live with the virus. Masks all day are not ideal, nor is removal of PE or recess or having lunch in the class room. Full remote learning is not optimal if it looks like it did this past spring - it was sub par at best  |
| None  |
| <b>NO FACE MASKS FOR THE KIDS! Teachers/Staff only. NO FACE MASKS FOR THE CHILDREN PLEASE!</b>  |
| I will have children in both elementary and middle school this year and am very concerned with the schedules being the same so that I can manage a work/child care schedule too.  |
| Without transportation my kids won't be able to attend school.  |

As long as masks are a requirement, my son will not attend.

Both our boys have autism and would not wear face masks. I worry our daughter with ADHD would struggle with a mask too. Our one son is diabetic on top of having autism and is high risk. My husband is in the high risk category also. Would not feel safe sending all 4 kids to school unless immunization is available.

Difficult to make a call at this point. Ideally, I'd love to see kids go back to school for in-person instruction at least part time for many reasons, mostly social/emotional health. However, if the infection rate changes drastically again, I would worry for the safety of all the kids and staff and prefer remote learning in that case.

We will likely not utilize school transportation since there is a lack of social distancing on the bus and it's a tight enclosed space. Really no way to monitor the mask situation on the bus, and it's not something bus drivers could do effectively while driving our children.

Remote learning seems like the safest option until there is an effective treatment available. However, we'd like to see more required "in-person" zoom instruction to help keep them engaged with teachers and classmates.

Our arrangements are dependent on what happened with schools. If we are doing remote learning, I would need to work with my company to see if I can be remote.

I understand face masks. Not all areas have Air conditioning and I'm worried about physical activity with a face mask on for gym class. I also have concern in the event that someone is exposed. If we have to quarantine for 14 days does Count against the child's attendance record. And if there are no symptoms are they able to do remote learning instead. I do not envy the decisions that you need to make as a school district and I appreciate the effort that you're putting forth and trying to do what's right. There really is a whole world of unknown going on right now. I think about the bathrooms, how are the kids going to eat lunch? What will passing. Look like in the middle school? If we are only to able to have gatherings of 50 people or less how can we open the school? Also, is the temperature of each child gonna be taking as they approach the door to the classroom? The Covid symptoms are also very common symptoms of a common cold allergies a stomach bug. We don't stay home for allergies so will new guidelines be given at the start of school when a child needs to stay home. And there's a state going to penalize the parents for having their kids home more than 10 days a year for a sore throat caused by postnasal drip?

Thank you for attempting to protect our teachers, staff, and children during this pandemic

With having a speech kid, it is essential that he read lips and that districts teachers can read his. I do not think it is wise to have a school bus driver (in a hot and humid school bus) transporting students while wearing a mask. A driver who is hot while breathing in the same air or having constricted oxygen is an accident waiting to happen. Studies also show that anemia and constricted oxygen is an issue. Students masked and drivers masked pose a serious hazard that district may never recover from.

Many parents I know, will be staying home with their children until we return back to pre-Covid-19 standards.

There are more guidelines recommended other than just face masks. More specifically, I would like to hear about what you are doing to the building operations i.e. ventilation system and cleaning protocols. As well as, what is the protocol for when someone tests positive. There are too many unanswered questions from the District at this time that I would feel secure sending my kids back into the building this fall. I realize you are trying to figure it out and you have a hard job ahead of you. Several of us have had to go through this same process of our own businesses and it does evolve over time. The more clear plans and protocols I think will help in communicating and planning for everyone.

I just want to say that I appreciate everything the district and our school/teachers (West) is currently doing to find solutions. There seems to be no right answers, and nothing that makes sense. I only hope that the District will trust the science and the healthcare experts when making their plans, and we as parents in turn will be patient and trust they do what's right.

I could not answer this survey in the correct way. I am a teacher in the district and if school is not totally full time and in person, But teachers have to be at work 5 days a week, I have no where for my daughter. I am a single parent and do not have money to send her to a program to do eLearning. I already pay for before care and daycare at KinderCare for twins. If my daughter was not doing in person 5 days a week she would need free childcare for the eLearning days so I could be at work.

Our daughter will be starting kindergarten this year. Her safety is my number one priority. I do have the capability to stay at home with her and do remote learning, but I also value in person learning. I would feel most comfortable sending her to school only for a couple of hours a day, skipping lunch and recess, and only focusing on the core subjects. Otherwise I am concerned that the expectations put on the students and teachers are unrealistic.

Due to COVID-19 still rising i am not comfortable with having my kids return to school E-Learning is still the best option at this point

I don't think my son will learn much at home .We need to learn how to deal with the new era .  
PROTECTION is the key . Mask ,hand sanitizing, clean schools .

The issue of non-air conditioned buildings needs to be addressed. It is not feasible to expect students or staff to wear masks all day in 90+ temperatures. In my son's school building it is at least 5-10 degrees warmer than outside during the fall, especially in the upstairs classrooms. Since installing whole school air conditioning is probably not feasible then perhaps portable or window units is an option. Also, some questions I'm looking to have answered are...

What will happen if a student or staff member in a school building tests positive?

If a teacher is exposed to a person who has tested positive, will in-person teaching be suspended for that class or the whole school and for how long?

I am very worried about the first trimester of school. This is flu season and with the Covid out there it makes me more concerned. Especially when my son has allergy induced asthma and my husband (the only worker in the home) has diabetes. I also watch over both my elderly parents. This whole thing is terrible. My kids miss REAL school but I am so worried.

I am also a teacher in the district which becomes complicated if my child is not in school and I am expected to be at work. I think the district needs to take into consideration childcare options for staff if school does not resume 5 days a week.

Concerned about mama with no air conditioning

We know things are ever changing, and whatever is determined to be the absolute safest method for returning to school is what we want to be part of.

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| Can you provide homeschooling support for parents who do not feel safe to send their children back to school due to different safety reasons? Maybe we occasional remote support when needed for homeschooling.   |
| Creó que es importante tratar de cuidar nuestra salud y la de los demás pero nuestros niños también estan pasando por momentos dificiles estando tanto tiempo en casa, necesitan que les demos la oportunidad de regresar a la "normalidad" aunque esta tenga algunos pequeños cambios a los que estoy segura ellos se adaptarán.   |
| Rather than focus on how many days a week in-person instruction could happen, I think it would be smart to consider how many weeks a month. Rather than two days on, three days off, why not one week on, two weeks off? And mandate COVID testing? What will the testing procedures be? How often will the teachers be tested? How often will the students be tested? Will it be the responsibility of the parents to seek out testing, or will it be possible for the school to establish testing? Will covid testing be a requirement for re-entry into school for students?                                   |
| I know that my children might struggle with face masks , especially after the spring home schooling that occurred. I feel I didn't help them enough , even though I did my best . So now they need the teaching more than ever and a face mask will only distract them, especially my 5 year old going into dual language kindergarten! Thank you for following up and taking all of our situations into account .  |
| If remote learning is the safest option- consider small in person "homeschool co-op". Parents can create on their own from a class list. This provides social interaction for children while keeping very large groups out of schools.  |
| I am surprised at the results of the June survey. I thought more parents would have an issue with their children returning to school. While I have no issue with my 5 yr old wearing a mask, I'm not sure I want her wearing one all day. My issue is there is no way to guarantee that every family is taking the necessary precautions to remain safe so how can you ensure my child won't get sick if she returns to school?   |
| We appreciate all of the efforts being made to keep our students safe while providing an education. We will be happy with whatever the district decides, and recognize that it is an impossible situation. Thank you for your diligence and service.  |
| We are considering pulling our child completely to do homeschool depending on what is provided by the district for eLearning as our experience for Spring was not positive. We do not feel there is any scenario that will make us feel comfortable sending our child for any amount of in person schooling. Beyond not agreeing with young kids wearing masks in an un-air conditioned building for 8 hours a day, I have not seen any information on the protocols of what would happen when a teacher or student tests positive for Covid and how quarantine, testing would happen when those scenarios occur. |
| I think it is extremely important for all children to go back to school without restrictions. Healthy children need to fight illnesses and this is teaching them to be scared, anxiety ridden idiots!   |
| My daughter will be starting kindergarten. How would she elearn? Isn't part of kindergarten showing them how to interact with people?   |
| I'm not opposed to my child wearing a mask, I'm opposed to wearing a mask all day, especially in this heat. All though my child at west isn't high risk, we have 3 family members in !  |
| I really would like either all in-person learning or all elearning, not a combination of both. I think it would be too hard on the kids.  |
| The children need to go back to school full time, it's very important to their development. E learning is a poor way of education. My wife and I love educating our children but we feel that they need to be exposed to the full education experience not ZOOM or any other type of at home education.   |

We feel that keeping kids home from school is not helping them and in fact hurting them academically/emotionally/socially. We are taking this pandemic seriously and using every precaution in our power (masks, distancing, staying home when necessary), but these kids need to be in school (even if it's a hybrid or part-time model). Some students need direct classroom instruction and the help that a teacher can provide and keeping them home isn't giving them that option. Please know we understand and respect the opposing view-point on this matter. Thank you!

Please prioritize the children that really need extra help learning and no other place to go (both parents work away from the home). Inconvenience of parents should not be a factor, otherwise they should not have had kids. Good luck and stay healthy!

If remote learning is implemented part or full time, I would offer these suggestions based on our experiences last spring and during summer school:

- 1) While moving on in the next grade level curriculum, keep the same classes and teachers as last year as much as possible so learning can be done in the framework of already established relationships.
- 2) Provide "work" both on Seesaw and as printable attachments. My children did a lot of typing on Seesaw, which was frustrating for them as they were trying to formulate ideas and write. (Plus their handwriting suffered.) Include a mix of electronic and paper/pencil tasks or allow assignments to be printed, photographed, and submitted on Seesaw.
- 3) Have new concepts and activities presented live or in video recordings by teachers.
- 4) Send Zoom meeting information not just in a link but in writing with a meeting ID and password. We tried to join Zoom meetings from iPads that did not have access to e-mail and were often scrambling to find meeting IDs and passwords (clearly a minor logistic among all the things you are considering).
- 5) Katie Dunham's (learning resource teacher at West) remote learning plan for summer school was FANTASTIC, both in how she distributed it, how she typed it up to be user friendly, how she implemented it, and the type and amount of work for students. She created a lot of writing activities related to real life (e.g. summer bucket list, letter to teacher, favorite summer vacation), and these were much more appealing to my son than the content from the spring.
- 6) I commend all the people who are working diligently over the summer on plans for learning in the fall. You are not in an easy position--we are grateful and will support whatever decisions you make with positive messages to our children and as much support from home as possible. THANK YOU!!!

I want to make sure that IF the plan is to go back for in person instruction, that there are specific protocols in place to maintain the health and safety of our children. I'd like to see specific plans in place for steps that would be taken should a student or faculty member be diagnosed with COVID-19 as well as a plan in the instance that students and staff have been exposed elsewhere. I have questions about the logistics of young children keeping masks on appropriately as well as with the ability to maintain social distance in a classroom with limited size and many bodies. Though maintaining that social distance has not been identified as a requirement, I think it would be dangerous to claim that this is not a priority for our kids AND their teachers. I would love to see my daughter be able to start her kindergarten year with the ability to be in a classroom with peers so that she can access those social and learning opportunities to the most optimal extent. However, my primary concern at this time is for the health and safety of our family and community. I'm not sure that we can have it both ways, and if I have to choose I will always choose her health and safety, and that of our family.

I would not need bus service if the before/ after school program is being offered. I really hope that program is running, otherwise it will be very difficult to juggle work and getting my child to school. I know this is tough on the schools to decide what to do, but I hope a decision is made soon so our family can plan childcare and logistics. Thank you

As a healthcare worker who has worked on the covid units, my opinion is that as long as teachers implement hand washing and distancing, the children should be ok. Also teachers need to be included in the survey. They know what is best when it comes to the students. I have full confidence in the teachers, they will know when kids are sick and shouldn't be at school. Hire some extra CNA or RNs to assist the school nurse. Nurses handled this situation. School officials didn't. We can't teach our children to be afraid of a virus, the flu is a virus, what we should do is to teach them how to handle the situation and take care of personal hygiene, cough into elbows, wash hands etc.

Safety is the #1 concern. Masks, social distancing and constant sanitation is crucial to whether my daughter will return to school. We have elderly grandparents who are often with us as well as a business to run and we cannot risk covid.

In regards to face masks, I think they should be provided by the school if feasible. If half days are implemented it probably wouldn't be as important but for full days, it raises some health concerns. Masks made out of grandmas old curtains of thick, hot, and will more than likely be counter productive if not changed every few hours. I would suggest your typical light weight surgical mask for students were the teacher would go around once or twice a day to exchange them, much like fluoride is done. As for teachers, I would suggest N95 masks. For one, they are more susceptible to Covid and should be protected and two, if a teach does catch Covid 19, I highly doubt subs will be jumping at the opportunity to fill in. Keep up the good work. I realize a lot of difficult decisions are going to have to be made.

I would only be seeking speech therapy per his IEP remotely by his SLP. We would not do in person instruction as I don't want him at two different schools.

Things are changing so frequently it's hard to say what will be best for the children and staff this fall. I made my selections based on the information available now.

Concerned with how the school will approach kids with Asthma issues. I have been told people/children with asthma should not be wearing masks. My child is one of those. How will this be handled?

Both adults in our household are teachers in xxxxxxxx . Our preference would be for District xx to offer remote learning only; we would then prefer to have our children do remote learning while we teach from home, but as all school districts are in similar positions right now, we just don't know what our family situation will look like this fall.

I'd like to see 100% remote learning as an option, no matter what the in-person option ends up being.

To be clear, it is absolutely necessary for children to return to school everyday.

Im still undecided whether ill actually be sending my 5year old to school knowing shed have to wear a face mask the whole time. Im also due to have a baby in sept. And not sure how id make time for online schooling with just having a baby.

Will not be sending my kid to any inperson classes as the risk still seems too high and we have vulnerable members in the family.

We had planned to use the park district before school and after school care. Will this still be an option for parents with potential schedule changes?

Thank you for keeping us up-to-date and in the loop as best you can. I teach in another district and truly appreciate all of your efforts thank you for your hard work!

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| <p>My concerns are for the teachers and staff as much as for the safety of my own children and family. I have no objections to my children wearing masks, if we move to in-person schooling, but they will need adequate instruction on how to wear them properly. My other concern is that the kids will bounce too much between in-person and remote learning as more cases pop up in our district and neighborhood. The back and forth could create more disruption to the learning process and emotional distress for students who thrive on routine.</p>  |
| <p>We are strongly AGAINST face masks!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</p>  |
| <p>I appreciate your communication and efforts in making these very tough decisions. I'm thinking a consistent schedule of half days would be best and avoid lunch all together. Students go for 3 hours and then are remote for 3 hours. Students remotely can work in groups via docs/facetime/etc. The in person could be split with Math/Science one day and Literacy/Social Studies the next. While weaving in the extra areas. Each class period could be an hour with 1/2 the population. The consistency will help students feel some normalcy while remaining safe. Parents could choose AM, PM or either.</p>  |
| <p>Depending on the increase in cases, I may be comfortable with remote learn and a couple days in person learning.</p>  |
| <p>Thank you for all you do!!!</p>   |
| <p>My son has Autism and has various sensory issues. He will wear a face mask for certain periods of time, but cannot tolerate one all day. I don't want him to be made a target by other children for not wearing one. How would that be handled?</p>   |
| <p>I would be more comfortable sending my child to school if masks were not required while inside the classroom. I cannot imagine my 1st grader being able to concentrate and learn while wearing a mask.</p>  |
| <p>I will be considering e-learning at home for my kids instead of sending them to school bc of the masks and also the risk to teachers and students. I would appreciate a better e-learning curriculum that allows us to teach kids instead of just competing unnecessary work that has already been taught. Would love if teachers could video lessons and teach kids thru video.</p>  |
| <p>We are open and willing to have our child return to a hybrid model of school for the 2020/ 2021 school year however if the district does not adhere to the facemasks guidelines per parental requests we will not send her and will be choosing online learning for the first trimester. We believe that it is important that both faculty and students regardless of age wear facemasks unless medically determined that they can't. I feel that it is the responsibility of parents to make sure that their children are comfortable wearing masks and that a majority of children can and will tolerate wearing masks. In addition, I would like to see more information about what the districts plan is when faculty/staff/students get sick. How are the teachers who are in risk groups going to be protected and how are teachers who have family members with underlying conditions going to be protected during this time? Even if the transmission between children is low, we have to understand that there are many adults in the buildings that are at risk of contracting Covid-19, and we need to protect them as well.</p> |
| <p>My child takes the bus. I would drive him to school each day but he may need to be bused home depending on what my schedule would be as a para in district 47</p>   |
| <p>Considering there is still a growing threat of spread with COVID-19, I think there are way too many risks for students, teachers, and staff for in-person learning to happen. I know that in-person learning is much better for all, but in order to have a chance at keeping the spread of the virus down, a remote learning situation should be implemented.</p>  |
| <p>Please continue online learning. I have a student entering kinder and I don't know how the teacher will be able to keep him safe and keep his mask on all day. I am a teacher as well and know first hand that this is going to be next to impossible to have kids social distance.</p>   |
| <p>If there is any in-person school instruction, teachers should do contactless temperature checks and face masks.</p>   |

I think it is unhealthy for kids to breath in their carbon dioxide for an entire school day. If the school is holding to the social distancing, the kids need a break from masks. And how do you plan to accommodate teachers' struggles with kids messing with their masks all day and not being able to project properly for social distanced kids to even hear the instruction if they have to have on a mask.

I feel strongly that our kids need some kind of peer to peer interaction (is in person school). However safety of our kids and the teachers has to be paramount. I fear too many parents in our community are not taking the risks seriously and if safety precautions are not followed, we could see additional spikes of the virus in our community, and therefore in our schools. Please prioritize how safety guidelines and restrictions will be ENFORCED if some parents don't take it seriously and teach their kids not to either.

With my child missing out so much with special needs it is imperative that they have face to face education.

There is no easy answer to this situation. Thank you for your communication, which has been excellent. We appreciate the district's diligence in trying to create positive learning experiences for students while maintaining safety.

Our biggest concern is safety of our student and others. We have a younger child with a chronic lung disease, which is why we are hesitant to send our student to school but would still consider it when the plan becomes available if following CDC guidelines can be guaranteed.

We understand that this situation is fluid and that school may need to change with little to no notice.

I do not want my son who is going into Kindergarten to wear a mask all day everyday. He will attend extended time and that's a long time to wear a mask.

Buenos dias, yo considere esas opciones por que creo q seria mejor para mis hijos porque creo que es mejor las clases directas para contestar y resolver cualquier duda q tengan en su aprendizaje, pero 2 de mis hijas tienen asma y el proximo mes su especialista determinara que sera mejor para ellas una de mis hijas entrara a 6 grado en la escuela Lundahl y va a necesitar transporte, mi hijo va a empezar kindergarten y pienso q para los niños pequeños va a ser necesario mas cuidado con las medidas de distanciamiento social, muchas gracias por tomar en cuenta nuestras opiniones

The kids have to have in-person schooling this fall. If not, this will be one of the most poorly performing generations. Children are hardly affected and show little signs of transmitting this disease. The flu is more deadly than this, and we don't have remote learning for that. I have a kindergartener and a first grader; they need in-person instruction. If there is remote learning, I expect every PE teacher, music teacher, art teacher, and other non-essential subjects to be laid off to lower our property taxes in the area. We are paying for them to have in-person schooling. Anything less is legalized stealing. Please put them back in the classroom. Thank you.

It might help parents to know what a typical remote learning day would look like. The spring remote learning experience for our family was not good. Too much reliance on the parents, especially because we have three school aged children. I found it very hard, and time consuming, to help them all. Distribution of the daily agendas should be provided to the parents in advance, not 20 minutes before a scheduled Zoom. Require kids AND teachers to be present on the remote calls. Teachers should respond directly to students, not the parents.

We may decide to skip the bus if when/possible.

What will the mask breaks look like? My concerns (with the mask) are gym and the heat.

I rather have my 5 yr old child do e-learning from home than send them to school with a mask on for 8+ hours. Very hard to keep the mask on in the store for half an hr and here we're talking about 8 hrs. It's unhealthy for such a small child to breath in what she's breathing out. Prefer at home learning.

Hopefully temperature checked at school

If in school instruction on any level occurs, there would need to be many additional assurances that social distancing can occur, hand washing, sanitation of classrooms, and masks would be worn. We have 1 higher risk student (asthma) and a parent (mom pregnant) in our household. If partial or complete remote learning occurs, remote instruction needs to be stepped up at the middle school level.

I feel very comfortable sending my child back to school. Society has to realize that COVID is not going away. This disease will just fall in line with Influenza A/B and unfortunately be here to stay. As a parent of a 6 year old, when she started Kindergarten in the fall last year she had contacted Strep throat twice within 2 months, and already had missed 10 days of school prior to Christmas break. That was before Influenza even started. Our kids are exposed to so much already this is just another disease that is just added to the list. I am not saying that I don't care about the pandemic, it's just that children are missing out on so much and people do not need to be afraid of reality. There is nothing that can be changed in what has happened.

This was not an option on the survey, but we would be open to a hybrid model of in person learning and remote learning.

My son would need the before and after school care with the Park District. Depending on what happens moving forward, I wouldn't need a bus for those days. He is enrolled in a daycare right now, but if the guidelines don't change, and schools are to being remote and in-person learning, I am not sure his current daycare will have room for him. It will all depend on DCFS guidelines for them. If care is not an option through them, I would need care on the days not in school.

if they could wear mask and social distance on the bus then i would allow public transportation

Would like to see kids back in school 5 days a week with bus service.

Shields are a better option for children

I'll be driving to and from school

Facemasks are going to cause more trouble. They will not only be a distraction but a health concern, as they are very, very hard to breath in (I wear one all day for work and seriously struggle). I really wish kids could just go back even part time but with out the masks and do the other half remote. I agree, we just truly need to know asap to figure out how to juggle things. Thanks for all you guys are doing. I know this is such a hard plan/decision to make on your part. God bless.

If kids will be wearing masks for full day and bus I think it will be better to find a way to provide them 15 min fresh air break every 2 hours.

COVID19 cases and death are increasing in IL and our county. It's not wise or safe to have all our kids return to school in fear of a major outbreak. I do not want D47 on the news as the newest outbreak of COVID19 cases. That would be disastrous to our community and district.

The kids NEED to resume normal face to face, full day 5 day a week instruction. We need to look at the statistics of the children infected with this disease. Please take this into consideration. My child will be entering kindergarten and it would be incredibly difficult for both us as parents and the child to start off a brand new experience virtually both for academics and for social/emotional health. The kids need to be in school!!!!

I would feel more comfortable with bussing if there could be a one child per seat or same household per seat policy.

I am concerned about adequate social distancing and proper disinfecting between groups of students using the same space. If there is half-day instruction and one classroom will house two groups of students (one in the morning and one in the afternoon), will all surfaces (desks, chairs, doorknobs, etc.) be disinfected in between? Same concern applies to full day instruction that switches days between groups of students. Also, in middle school, will these surfaces be disinfected in between each classroom period?

We are not comfortable with temperature checks being left up to families. Many families will send their children to school without checking for fevers, or even in despite of a fever.

The quality of remote instruction needs to be greatly improved in comparison to the spring. For example, my kindergartener had zero reading instruction, other than what we initiated on our own, during the entire spring shutdown.

After reviewing the June survey, I am concerned about students not wearing masks to school. Will they be sent home? Also, I forgot about no air conditioning at LMS. How will that school move forward on hot days? Do I have the option to send my daughter to Bernotas?

If kids are sitting 6 feet apart in the classroom, I would hope they would not need to wear face masks once they are in the classroom. I think full day instruction is an awful idea, since asking kids to wear face masks for that long is unrealistic, especially at the schools without air conditioning.

I would prefer a hybrid of minimal in-person learning, plus remote learning. I do not think it is wise to have kids wear masks for more than an hour at a time. And, so far, I have not seen 6' spacing addressed. xxxxxx did an excellent job with the remote learning this Spring.

I would need to look at the whole situation and see what options there are. These are my initial thoughts and may not be practical when put into practice. I believe there is an importance of in person learning but am also Leary about not having social distancing measures

Our family needs buses, and social distancing, we are high risk. Not only do I have two auto immune diseases but do we have their grandparents living with us. Remote learning with video instruction was going great. We just need to know. My kids don't want to go back either. They are terrified they will need to go back to soon. They don't want to bring covid19 home or catch it. What happened when someone does catch it? Do you shut down school,? Will parents need to report if they have it? Because now if they do, that cold could spread it at school. It lives on cloth for atleast 24hrs. Social distance is what helps stop spread. Why can't you email that you provide that? If you can't do that I may have to pull my children from district. Home school them. They prefer that anyway. Will simple screening be in place for students and staff? How will you ensure students where masks during class? What about gym? Or lunch? How will social distancing work during lunch? And how can you ensure they keep them on during gym? I think they kids and will touch masks to much and defeat purpose of wearing mask. Also kids with glasses will hate them since most paper and cloth masks leak sir and fog glasses.

Thank you for your hard work and decision making!

I'm sure it's being talked about but year around school, after a vaccine is in place, is a solution to get the kids academically back on track. I would rather postpone school entirely and go year around as long as necessary than risk any human life. Human life must be the central focus. Every other problem has multiple solutions. Death does not. We cannot fix death. We can fix technology, learning delay, socialization, food resources, day care, etc. Death is quite literally the only side effect of opening or not reopening that cannot be fixed. We cannot lose sight of this.

In McHenry County, the confirmed number of cases is 2195. The population as of 2010 was 308,760. I don't have to be a genius at math to know that the % is incredibly low. Less than 1%. Why are we being treated like we live in Chicago? Take precautions, but send them to school!

I realize you cannot make everyone happy. My hope is with face masks and washing/sanitizing stations we can reduce risk. Temperature checks would make me feel better.

I would like information on how mask wearing is going to be enforced. If a child takes a mask off multiple times, will they be looking at disciplinary action? I don't see children keeping masks on for an extended period of time for a multitude of reasons, and my big fear is that this will spiral into a disciplinary nightmare.

I have a lot of frustration and concerns about children wearing face masks in school! I have a daughter at Lundahl and cannot imagine her having to wear a face mask, especially during hot weather and no A/C in the school! Also, the bus gets very warm inside, during hot weather! For children to have to wear masks on the bus is also very concerning! My daughter has gotten off the bus many times with a red face and feeling overheated, on warm/hot days. This could only cause more concerns for our kids! I understand D47 has to follow the CDC guidelines but I am voicing my opinion, as a parent of 2 children in the district.

I feel going back is very important. Cutting out any extra curricular..ex .pe, music, art & just learning the important classes. My daughter is in 7th grade accelerated math & during the elearning I feel she didnt learn anything & was given 6th grade work. I do not want her to fall behind. As much as I'm scared to go full time I think half a day a couple days a week could benefit them.

I understand that all children need to wear a mask and I am fine with that, but what happens when they touch everything then their face or they children hug. At lunch will there be a six feet apart rule if they are eating without their masks? Also if my son is not able to go back to school I won't be able to get or afford day care.

we are concerned about childcare and transportation

Best wishes trying to navigate this tough decision for our schools and the families in our district. Thank you for your service.

Mi prioridad son mis niños y Solo esperemos que cualquier método que vayan a tomar sea el correcto pero si puedo decir que si esto sigue aumentando yo no dejaré que los niños vayan a la escuela prefiero que pierdan el curso que pierda un hijo mi hija tiene problemas de neumonía y debo ser más cuidadosa con ella espero entiendan mi situación

We strongly support the full return to school.our children have expressed the same to us as well. They miss the structure, personal interface with teachers, but most of all the social benefits of being with friends. That being said, we would prefer masks NOT be required. My son has asthma and my daughter overheats. They are a distraction for children, in our opinion. We trust the school administrators will provide the other necessary guidelines to ensure the safety and health of everyone in the school. Thank you for all you are doing to help us all return to a normal routine.

Unfortunately, I need more information to accurately answer these questions.

Would my Elementary and Middle schoolers be on the same 1/2 day schedule? What are those hours? What will the curriculum look like with 1/2 day? Would special Ed services take place during the 1/2 day and in place of what? Would 1/2 day in person also include 1/2 day remote learning?

What does "improved" remote learning mean?

Will students' temperatures be taken daily? Will all staff & students be tested for Covid-19 2-3 weeks before school begins

Unfortunately, this issue seems to have become political with the executive branch influencing the CDC's guidelines for schools. This undermines any confidence we have in a safe reopening using their guidelines as a skeleton. It is clearly unsafe and irresponsible to reopen schools even with cleaning protocols and masks since children are incredibly complex to manage such policies with. It would also be unfair and unsafe for educators to be forced to expose themselves or go unemployed. As such, we would prefer to see the district making strides and investment NOW to enable and improve remote learning. Parents should be at least eligible for this option. We sincerely understand that educational progress is essential, however this sacrifice is not forever and if schools can extend future school years or offer summer schooling, catch up should be possible.

I don't have to use the buses system, I can drive to work. I do have the ability to care for my child at home, however my daughter is on the Autism spectrum and has an IEP. I would like her to have as much in person instruction that can be safe for both her, her classmates and the teachers involved. But if we do only 3/2 days of in person instruction, I can be home for days she has remote learning.

We will do whatever is required to have full-time, in-person instruction for our child, as it is essential to their academic advancement, social and emotional well being. I would prefer that my child take the bus, but we can drive him if needed to make full-time in-person instruction work. E-learning is not a viable substitute for being in the classroom with teachers and fellow students!

Not sure on bussing decisions for our family yet.

I'm not envious of the decisions that need to be made. I would love for my child to return to school full time, but realistically looking at it, I just don't see how that is possible. I would like to see a strong elearning plan in place from the start. I think a complete shutdown is inevitable again, so I'd like to see a predictable consistency. My child does not perform well with a lot of change. The seamless transition between in person and elearning, the better. I also think the physical and mental health of the teachers and staff need to be addressed. The monumental stress that is being put in their shoulders needs to be considered as well.

Although we have bus service available, we are able to provide transportation to and from school daily (even with modified school hours) and would not require the use of bus service. Thank you

I'm a single parent working 60-70 hours a week. My kids have to be able to take the bus or they can't get to school. If e-learning is chosen and is anything like the spring, we may need to look into homeschooling options. This not something I want to do. How it was run in the spring it took my son over 10 hours a day to finish all it and sometimes it still didn't get it done. It was very difficult to organize at home with assignments coming in daily from multiple teachers, at different times, on many different platforms and apps. I work 13 hours shifts, if I have to also teach my children at home, it needs to be flexible, and be able to work it around my work schedule.

There's absolutely no valid reason face masks should be required for healthy children. If a child is sick they stay home...no masks prevent anything it's statistically shown to cause more damage to the person wearing them. Cleaning and sanitizing is more than enough measures for the kids to return to in person learning! Masks will only be a distraction for all and disrupt learning in conjunction with causing more ailments internally.

Childcare is at 50% capacity per DCFS guidelines which doesn't give very many people options for childcare. There is pressure to return to work, and also the stress of not being able to give full attention to my job because I have my children home. School needs to be an option for children and if parents choose to keep their kids at home that's their choice.

At the current time I am not feeling fully comfortable placing my child on the bus. I am not ruling it out as it will depend on what is the situation with the virus is in the fall. Today, I feel that I would drive my child to and from school but am also concerned how well that process would go with the many other parents in the drop off/pick up line that are doing the same.

I am thankful for all the hard work D47 is doing to ensure that my child will be safe in these uncertain times. I am sure these are not easy decisions that are being made! Thank you!

Possibly delay the start of the school year in order to allow more time to plan a safe return for students and staff.

We need to get back to normal very soon! The kids do NOT need facemasks !!!! Let them come back to school as normal. I'd actually rather the school does a temp scan INSTEAD of the facemasks, whose effectiveness is very questionable.

We don't need to use the bus but if there is room we had planned to use it.

I would expect that each teacher is required to do some live teaching and live office hours per week in a remote learning setting. I would also expect that lessons are recorded in case a child becomes sick so that one can watch remotely and keep pace with the learning. I would like some information about electives and how wellness/ PE will be instructed this year.

So many questions I have...

If a teacher/child is exposed, does that shut down just the classroom or the entire school for 14 days?

Without air conditioning and the hot first semester weather; what precautions are going to be made (other than a small fan high up in a corner) in order for teachers/kids to pass out during school wearing masks? Same question for riding the bus because some kids are on the bus for a half an hour.

I have many more questions along the same lines, but I will be interested to see how the district and board handles these.

I would like to know what kind of curriculum will be used for Remote Learning. I am not comfortable sending my children to school but I am more uncomfortable having them "learn" they way Spring Remote learning was implemented & having myself become their teacher.

The questions are very restrictive and do not allow much suggestion. I support a half day in person for them to have some social exposure but limited mask wearing. My younger son could not keep it on all day merely from age and not listening not for any health or anxiety reasons. If my kids only had half day of school, then they could ride the bus. If they did full day with a mask, keeping it on to ride the bus would be too much and I would just drive them. With an organized schedule and many opportunities per day to interact online with classmates for social growth, I would also support full elearning. I would also support an AB schedule where they only come in a couple days for opportunities to do one-on-one with the teacher, to do the advanced math, and to get their encores in person with social interaction. It is a challenging problem to solve and I hope for the best for all staff and families.

Parents send their kids to school when there isn't covid so this will just spread covid through schools. There's no way of monitoring this many people and not making it a terrible experience for the children!! How can a child learn wearing a mask all day long? How can teachers teach worrying about covid.

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| <p>While I understand many factors are outside our control, the push to be in person puts not only the families at risk but also the staff of the schools and their families. Concerns around socialization should be secondary when the risk to other life is higher at this stage of the COVID pandemic.</p>   |
| <p>I'm concerned, confused and want all precautions to be taken to make mine as well as other children safe</p>  |
| <p>What types of cleaner/sanitizer will be used? Although children should not be sharing materials, sanitizing will be necessary throughout the day.</p>   |
| <p>I would love to see half day options for my children. I think it would be hard for them to learn wearing a mask for 6 hours a day. If this isn't possible, I would prefer partial remote/in school learning. I do not need the district to provide transportation for my children. We figured out how to make it work for our family. Thank you for giving us parents a voice and for giving us choices for our children. I appreciate your hard work in making this school year as safe as possible for the children, teachers, staff, and bus drivers.</p>                            |
| <p>I am very uncomfortable with my child going back to school, so much that I am looking into homeschooling. I would prefer remote learning from the district</p>  |
| <p>Masks are easier for the older kids. Not the kindergarteners and first graders.</p>   |
| <p>I would like if the calendar for D155 and D47 could align</p>   |
| <p>I am very concerned about schools without air conditioning</p>  |
| <p>If we did a hybrid model where students attend 2-3 days a week, I would like some say as to which day my student would attend (either the A or B days) so we could align with other students with whom we could share child care.</p>   |
| <p>With cases increasing across the country and states considering going back to phase one, I do not wish to be part of that situation.</p>  |
| <p>I prefer in school yet smaller class sizes M-Thurs 4 day at school, even if half the class goes 2 days a week &amp; the other half the other two days makes more sense to have less children in the the classroom at once Friday Virtual E-Learn, If using e-learn I'd prefer more info on full curriculum &amp; outline of assignments specific for the school year.<br/>Provide more individual options for students who are struggling, possible e-tutoring.<br/>Absolutely keeping the schools cleaner disinfecting after each day should always be a priority and be thorough.</p> |
| <p>I am concerned about split schedules and childcare. I think it is much harder for working parents to coordinate childcare for a split schedule</p>  |
| <p>Being in the healthcare field, I am comfortable sending my daughter back for shorter periods of time, or a few days a week. I do worry about them complying with social distancing and hand washing. I know/see that it is not always followed in public now so I do worry. We do have a high risk house hold with autoimmune disorders both at my house and my parents, who will be providing care while we are at work.</p>   |
| <p>I am a D47 elementary teacher and depending on my teaching schedule in the fall varying from the middle school schedule, I might need my son to have bus transportation. I would plan on driving him if our schedule allows. Thank you for taking the time to survey parents and find out the best interest of our community. Truly appreciate it!</p>  |
| <p>I am very concerned about the safety and health of the teachers and children, BUT, I firmly believe that we will see adverse affects physically and mentally if children are required to wear a face mask all day.. I firmly want these kids back in school but without face masks.</p>   |

I am completely uncomfortable with the idea of in-person learning at this time. It would likely result in mass outbreaks and my children would suffer long term complications due to Asthma

Please match any scheduling between elementary and middle school so siblings attend and are off same days/times to promote childcare coverage.

I think either doing half days or limited days per week is going to add a lot of stress and problems for families trying to balance work and child care. Speaking only for my two kids who will be going into 1st Grade and Kindergarten, peer interaction is almost as important to me as what they are learning.

What about the children that can not wear masks at school (examples are the have special needs or sensory issues), does that mean they are not allowed an education? This is concerning to me bec most of these children will not/can not get anywhere with e-learning, seeing how they need therapy and 1 on 1 help. Plus the government has said if you have medical problems such as asthma or other breathing issues, they recommend you do not wear a mask. So if I am understanding your news letter correctly...children with asthma either wears a mask and has an ever greater risk of an asthma attack, or No mask per cdc guide lines and they are not allowed to go to school...is that correct?

I realize Illinois is doing better than most states. I realize many would have issues with childcare. I realize it is better for kids to be able to socialize and learning is better in person. I just do not feel comfortable with my kids in multiple classrooms or a lunchroom for hours at a time. I do not trust that kids of any age will keep a mask on correctly all that time. Schools are petri dishes in the best of times. Even with extra cleaning and sanitizing, it's not worth the risk to kids , teachers or staff. Not to mention family at home. Is it possible to offer a mixed option like McHenry College? I saw that they offer both online and in person options and a few in between. I have several family members who are teachers and all of them want to be with students, but all of them are extremely nervous about what they could bring home. I let my 8th grade daughter ride bikes with a couple friends with the condition that they keep moving and stay on opposite sides of the street. They constantly forget themselves and ride closer or stop and talk in a close circle. They are kids! Once involved with each other, they forget to pay attention. Many adults can't keep a mask on right! It doesn't count if it's on your chin!! How is a little kid going to keep it fitted correctly for hours at a time?!! I am not comfortable with the risk of what it could start. They are doing entire TV shows on zoom, I would think a teacher could give a lesson online. I know my brother does this, along with science experiments, for kids in his class. It's not ideal, but it is the safest option. American schools don't have funds for supplies. Where will the money come from for plexiglass in every room?!

Face masks in school is going to hinder children with IEPs who have trouble processing the emotions of others since facial expressions is a huge part of that.

I think it's very important for these kids to return to school at the beginning of the year. They at least need time to get to know their teachers this year as well as the teachers to get to know the students. We may be needing to shut down again during the winter months so first trimester in person would at least give them time to get to know each other before attempting remote learning again if we shut down. My kids would wear masks and are capable of social distancing. We would not use the buses.

The situation seems to change daily with this virus so our opinions may also change but at this time I think if strict adherence to the CDC guidelines are followed, it would be fine, and really important, to have at least 2-3 days of in-person instruction for the kids. We probably could manage without the bussing if needed. I think the district should also consider the option of inviting parents to act as teaching assistants and tutors if they would be willing to do so for free or for lunch vouchers or something like that. Could ease some of the burden on the teachers. Also, I'm sure the teachers are very concerned about training for these scenarios. That really needs to be ramped up and offered to them soon. One other thing, mental and emotional counseling needs to be a top priority. People are going nuts during this pandemic and I've seen my normally fun-loving kids as well as the neighbor kids, having rage fits and then asking why thats happening.

We use ET for our before and after school care

There should also be a remote learning option if in-person school is chosen. This would ensure that children would be able to quarantine if needed without it interfering in their ability to be educated.

The kids need to go back to school. They also need to go back to school five days a week. Last year's eLearning was not fulfilling to the kids or the parents. Last spring when this all started parents were laid off just like the kids weren't at school they were able to teach their children. This year is different we know what the virus is and it's not that dangerous to the children. Also this year is different because many parents are back at work or need to go look for new work while the kids are at school. The children and the parents need some type of routine back in their lives. The notion that you're thinking of two to three school days a week and then remote learning totally messes up any planning for a parent. The notion that the virus it's only going to get you two to three days at your school and not the 5 is totally absurd. The kids need to go back to school five days a week. Parents need the structure back in their lives so they can go back to work to pay all those important property taxes and mortgages.

My son has autism and is nonverbal. I don't see him putting on a mask for a extended period of time. He hates things on his face so I don't know how this would work? I think it would be really challenging.

I don't think wearing masks safe. These kids need oxygen to breath and for their brain to function to learn.

Recess? Gym? Lunch?

My daughter has asthma, and my son has seasonal allergies that make him stuffed up... wearing a mask all day hinders their ability to breathe!!

I feel strongly that masks and social distancing along with all other recommended precautions can and should be implemented. I do not feel comfortable sending my child to school unless they are firmly enforced in order to protect everyone. Please continue to put science and safety first - thank you for your efforts!

I have a child with an IEP who benefits from in school instruction and services. However, due to his sensory related disorder, he will absolutely not be able to wear a mask. Is there anyone I can talk to about this?

Please protect our D47 teachers just as you would your own family members.

I would prefer either 1/2 day instruction or alternate days of in person instruction for my daughter. My biggest concern is that she goes to Lundahl and having to wear a mask in a building that has no air conditioning and poor ventilation, especially during the hotter months is a big concern for me. It's not comfortable in that building under normal conditions.

I would be willing to give up my bussing and commit to driving my child if there are too many people who need bussing.

Prolonged use of face mask seems like torture, especially for children. I do not believe they are necessary and I do not support the "science" behind such measures. My child will not be wearing a mask to school. He has allergies and trouble breathing as it is and he'll just be miserable. How can a child thrive in such conditions? Just to prove obedience? How do you find wearing masks all day appropriate? When they won't be worn correctly and taken off at some points. I also do not think it is okay for the school district to normalize such stupidity by JB Pritzker, but I clearly understand where your orders come from. Masks are a political tool nowadays and my children will not partake in such cognitive dissonance that is being spread. My kids will learn remote and return if and when such stupidity ceases.

I know this is a really hard situation to deal with. I appreciate the time you are taking to use input from parents. Thank you.

I would need transportation for my son.

I am not comfortable with my children wearing face masks all day while they're at school. I truly feel they'll be so distracted that it will take away from their learning experience. If masks are required I would rather they stay home and do remote learning with a more structured live classroom setting.

Difficult times. 2 or 3 in person days are easier to manage for parents than half days

My kids are currently in daycare wearing masks. They have adapted to it just fine. I'm sure this may not be the case for all kids, but it is proof that even picky, whiny kids like mine will do it!

My main concern about my child going to school everyday wearing a mask is the air quality in Husmann, i.e. it being too hot. What measures as a district are you taking to help with this? Also, at the board meeting it was stated over and over that e-learning will be different this time around. What actions have been taken to assure this? For transportation, if am/pm shift are the option and depending on when my child will go we may need transportation. Or my child may only need transportation one way. So that question was difficult to answer without knowing which option is decided on. What advice is the school board getting from the medical field, are they consulting with anyone when developing these plans? Lastly, please know that this situation is very fluid even for households. Things are changing and they change quickly for families too. Thank you for all that you are doing for the community. I know none of these decisions are taking lightly and I believe you have the best interest of everyone involved.

I fully support returning to school in the fall. However, I feel that WC is better able to meet the guidelines and I worry about LMS being too hot to have the kids wear masks. But I fully support the what the district decides. The kids MUST return to the building to learn. Thank you to all that are a part of the planning!

I am not confident that the district will be ready to handle 900 children in school. I have not seen a plan for social distancing and the cleaning needed to keep kids safe during the school day.

I would like my child to have some face to face instruction, but do not want them in a full school.

Thank you for all of the work that has gone into keeping our children safe while providing an excellent education!

I understand Everyone is trying their best given the situation. I am A single mom to my second grader. He will need ET options. Also if we are doing remote learning i will Have to be paying someone (his daycare provider) to do that so i can Work. Seeing i send Him to public school, i am Frustrated about having to pay someone to school him. Counterintuitive for paying taxes for public schooling. And i also Cannot afford that

I would like to see the District take temperatures of the students. I think having parents do this you will not get the accurate results.

Also the 2-3 day a week option would not be good this would not be a consistent schedule. I am all in favor of full in person option as children need structure, routines, social- emotional needs, and academics. If we are not in all day for some reason the full day does not go I would need my children in middle school and elementary school to be at the same time.

Our children need to get back to normal learning. This whole scenario has already had a disastrous effect on my girls. They are depressed because they can't see, talk to, and play with their friends. They are 8 and 9, they should not be dealing with depression at this age! The science and studies show several things:

1. Children are highly unlikely to die or get seriously ill from covid.
2. Children do not pass the infection to adults.
3. Asymptomatic people do not spread the virus in virtually all cases.
4. Wearing masks is far more harmful if worn by someone who is not infected due to the concentration of bacteria that builds up on the INSIDE of the mask. Our kids will be home sick far more often from constant wearing of masks.

There is also the issue of parents needing to quit their jobs to facilitate remote learning. Full day childcare is unaffordable.

I am concerned about covid19 in our schools. I am also concerned for our son. He does not do well in an unstructured day, and with both of us working full time he is often home with only his older sisters. He absolutely needs some in-class instruction.

I think it's a bad way to start a great school experience to be 5 and wear a mask 8 hours plus

I support whatever decisions that the school district makes , however I would prefer a blended learning model to lessen the chances of exposure for the children and staff.

I think it's silly to assume that K-2 students will be able to wear a mask properly to reduce virus spread. I am deeply concerned that any positive case will send students (or staff!) home for up to 2 weeks at a time for quarantine and that we will end up with remote learning as a default.

I am most nervous about mask wearing with minimal air flow in the classrooms and hallways at West and my child's water intake during the day.

Thank you to all of the administration for your work.

Consider children to take off masks while in the classroom as their desks/tables should already be placed 6ft away from one another.

One thing I would like to mention is my nephew wears cochlear implants. While I think it's imperative he get back to the classroom and that people wear masks, I am concerned about his ability to clearly hear - he will be OK with whoever is wearing the FM unit, but he still relies a lot on seeing a person speak - or having the reading lips as a helping point in his hearing/understanding of what is being said.

This survey is great, however, I can't say for sure my answers are 100% because I don't yet know if/when my work will require my return to the office. All signs indicate I may be home for a good while - probably rest of 2020 at least, but I answered as if I will be going to the office, just in case. In addition, if I do go to the office, Is ET still an option for before and after care? If yes, then I won't need the bus - If i'm home and have no meetings, I can drive him to school as well, but if I have meetings, then I may need the bus -so it's not just black and white. I appreciate being given the opportunity to voice my opinions - thank you.

I wanted to state that I am in support of my children returning to the actual school building full time in the Fall of 2020. If planning for that necessitates a delayed start to the school, I am in support of it. I am also willing and able to forgo the use of the bus if it makes things any easier on families who are not able to do so. I am in the unfortunate position of working for an employer who thus far is denying any work from home requests and during the end of this past school year I used up the 12 weeks of emergency FMLA that was enacted. If schools do not open, I fear I will be in the position of possibly having to quit my job which is not really financially feasible for my family. I also have great concerns about the quality and style of education I will be able to give my children should we go back to e-learning. For me, it was one thing to ride out the end of the school year doing our best, but it's completely another to crack open the text books for a new school year. My children are students at Husmann. My daughter will be a first grader and my son a third grader. With my youngest heading into first grade, I can't help but look back at the huge and amazing strides my son made in his first grade year (this is a strong testament to his teacher Mrs. Jennifer Nixon) and I know I will not be able to help my daughter make those same strides the way a teacher would.

Also, I do not know how intimately acquainted you are with Husmann and its temperatures, but I am sure it's on your radar as a "does NOT have A/C" school. When you move to third grade at Husmann, you move upstairs. While all rooms get hot at the start of school, moving upstairs makes it worse. That is where my son will be, in a mask (hopefully) all day. If there can be a way to get A/C window or portable units in these classrooms, given the circumstances, I ask that you do everything in your power to do so.

I fully realize there is no perfect solution to any of this and no way to make everyone happy, but I felt that I needed to share where I am coming from with you as you plan our path forward into 20-21. We are a family that needs schools to open. We will do our best to be flexible and make any helpful to others sacrifices we can (like forgoing busing.) My kids are mask training now. I have purchased at least 5 different styles to see what sticks. I want to do whatever I can to make this easier on the kids and the teachers. Thank you for your time and efforts and for listening.

Sincerely,  
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My daughter was recently found to have ADHD. She has been doing poorly at school throughout her life and she need all the help she can get

I would like to know how it will be handled when there is a positive case in the school/classroom from a student or teacher. It is going to be inevitable that we will see this happen. Additionally, I would like feedback from the teachers that will be teaching our kids and see what their take is. They haven't signed up for a high risk job and I am concerned that pushing them into such a situation will cause many to leave when we need good teachers. Lastly, I think kindergarten should be held off this year. It's not mandatory in Illinois and that age group will be the most difficult to maintain social distancing/masking. Kindy is for learning social skills which isn't going to be done in a positive manner this year. Plus, it would free up teachers for other grades, should we go back in person.

1/2 day AM for 1st grade would match our work schedules well. Thanks for listening to everyone's perspective!

I'm most comfortable w the guidelines released by the American Academy of Pediatrics.

None

I expect children and staff wear face masks per CDC guidelines for the safety of all, especially given the resurgence of cases. Social and mental health is not an issue in our household and perhaps resources should be provided to the parents where it is because the issue starts from learned behaviors.

In person instruction and remote learning will both have challenges.

In person instruction will have challenges for following for ongoing social distancing as well as requiring kids to wear mask for 7 per day.

Thank you for considering all data in your review during this ever changing pandemic.

We are concerned about the hot temperatures and limited ventilation at LMS and any of the buildings without AC. Wearing masks in hot temperatures will be a challenge, but also the emerging evidence of airborne transition and importance of ventilation makes this an even bigger concern for the safety of students and staff.

We are also concerned about the method of self-certification of temps/health that was decided upon.

Our children's education is essential. I'm a bit concerned that it is being considered anything but. For our children to be properly educated they must be in class all day 5 days a week. What happened at the end of last year with e-learning was a joke and a pitiful excuse of an education.

Our family will follow the guidelines of District 47 and will adapt to them. Good luck

Taking into consideration as to how school went last year regarding the spread of sickness, as our little one missed at least 50% of school days, we will not take the risk that this year it may result in the Corona virus .XXXXXX is Autistic and has severe developmental delays and although in person instruction is necessary for his advancement, he will not wear a mask, not that that would protect him, plus getting the virus could impact his brain permanently and then any type of learning would be impossible. Taking on teaching him on our own with the help of teachers and therapists until a vaccine is available as daunting a task as this may be, at this time, is the only safe option.

It will be very difficult to expect and enforce young children (K-2) to adhere to all the guidelines all day if in person instruction is chosen. What will be done if there is an outbreak at school?

I vehemently oppose the mandatory mask requirement for children. Given all gubernatorial orders issued since april 8, including mandatory wearing of facial coverings in public places in absence of social distancing effective May 1, were ruled unconstitutional and null and void on Thursday by a judge, applicable to the entire state of IL and all residents and businesses, it's unnecessary for the IDPH to suggest this be mandatory; this is merely a recommendation and should be a personal choice. all day, full time, in classroom instruction is absolutely critical for our family, especially given one of our children has an IEP. It's time to resume normalcy to life with a virus with a statistically proven and CDC confirmed 99.97% survival rate, that generally does not infect nor transmit to adults via children. Remote learning was not only ineffective, but disruptive, and stressful. Recognizing that was deemed the only viable solution in the spring, it is not a viable solution in the fall, even if only within scope of first trimester. The opportunity to provide input is appropriate and appreciated, thanks

Since LMS doesn't have air conditioning & wearing face masks is very hot, how will the school district prevent overheating for the children? The school is already an oven & having these children wearing masks all day is putting them at risk for heat stroke/overheating. As wearing masks is essential to prevent covid-19, it's also essential to provide optimal conditions for our children to be safe.

I don't agree with the masks. I have one child with severe asthma who won't be able to breathe with a mask on all day. I have another child that's in the process of getting a 504 plan... getting him to pay attention in class is hard enough. I can only imagine getting him to stop messing with his mask and leaving it on all day. The six foot distancing rules are ridiculous. The children won't be able to be children at all with these guidelines. Growing up in school, not being able to even go to recess to play with your friends.... what's the point?! Let the kids be kids!! They only have one childhood. A flu shouldn't be taking away their livelihood; it's taken so much already.

I would love for my children to be in an environment with their peers, however there are too many uncertain risks. What if a child tests positive? Someone in a child's household? How do we handle that situation?

I really hope the district can offer full remote learning for families that are able to assist their children with at home learning. I have twins that will be starting 6th grade. I am personally at high risk and my 70-year-old father lives with us and is high risk with age along with other medical issues. If remote learning is offered for families who have the means to do it, then it opens up school space for children and families who don't have an option and need their children to attend school. I just feel like it is a win-win and we could use some more win-wins right now. Thank you for your consideration.

I am open to half day everyday or 2-3 days in person and other remote learning. I am also open to remote learning. Whatever is safest Social distancing, smaller class sizes, and proper face masks are a must to make this work without an out break. As well as air purifiers.

You got your answers in the first survey. It is clear that the intent of this survey is to persuade people to not want full time school. It is not going to work, you need to open up your schools.

For the health and safety of my child, I would prefer if he wears a mask at School and in the bus. Bus transportation is also very important for my son to be able to go to/ from school. He is used to wearing masks now and understands the importance of wearing one for his wellness whenever he is outside the house.

I'm a single mom of two if my kids are NOT in school I can NOT WORK! They depend on school lunches casue I am "low income" & not having FULL TIME M-F SCHOOL would be absolutely DEVASTATING TO ME!!

I would like XXXXXX to get back to in- person instruction, 5 days a week. I don't like the idea of XXXXXX wearing a mask during school. My suggestion is to check the temperature of each child entering school, like it is done when we visit doctor/ dentist office. I don't think masks are necessary if kids don't run fever and if they wash/ sanitize hands frequently during the day. I can't imaging how most parents will be able to provide child care if the school is split between remote learning and in- person instruction. It would be very difficult to do it for our family. My XXXXXX misses school so much and would like to start school as planed, in August. Thanks !

Instruction in person is not an option for our family.

Even with a high-risk child at home and several high-risk family members in our circle, our family would have been open to the half-day in-person learning plan if not for two surprising updates presented at the board's July 7 special meeting. Those two issues - student "self certification" and the district's inability to commit to CDC-recommended 6-foot social distancing within the classroom - have forced our family into full remote learning. In a community where many refuse to wear a mask to protect others and view the virus as a hoax or nothing more than the "flu," we cannot trust that children with mild symptoms will be kept home. Even in a typical school year, children regularly come to school with communicable diseases, sometimes even after being sent home the day before with fever. We were extremely disappointed that the district chose not to protect students and staff by implementing school-administered temperature and symptom checks. That disappointment grew into grave concern when board members shared that the CDC-recommended 6-foot social distancing practice would not be a mandated part of the in-person learning models. Worse still, proposed models allowed for full pre-pandemic class sizes. One board member even pointed out that larger-than typical classrooms were allowed under guidelines, as long as groups did not exceed 50 people. Given that 66% of families surveyed in June were concerned about "student health screenings," 54% were concerned about "six-foot social distancing," and 62% were concerned about "minimizing or eliminating large group gatherings," it is disheartening to see that these very important protections have not been included in the in-person learning models. Although we absolutely respect the impossible challenges the board faces in balancing many needs in an ever-changing environment, we had hoped to see the basic protections of school-administered health screenings, reduced class sizes, social distancing and mask usage as non-negotiable, enforced cornerstones of any plan. The amazing teachers and staff of District 47 give so much to our children; now they are asked to do even more under impossible circumstances. They must be protected, as must the children in their classrooms.

How can we make a full and informed decision if the model options aren't available to us?

while face masks are good, I am not comfortable having my child on a school bus with other kids, as I know that most parents will send kids to school sick with no regards for others.

I responded remote learning but honestly I am concerned about either option. My middle school student is really struggling with isolation from peers. Yet my younger son has a poor immune system.

I will not send our son to school to sit in a mask all day.

We are not comfortable at this time with in person learning due to the fact that after all the openings, the numbers are already climbing. We would have children in 5 different schools if they were all in person and the exposure is and would be too much for our family. I do believe that "improved" remote learning would be best so our children can limit the exposure between all the schools. One major concern we have with that would be our XXXXXX XXXXXX who will be going into 2nd grade. He was in the middle of his IEP assessment when the school went to remote learning. How will that be assessed so he can get the extra help he needs to address his ADHD and dyslexia?

Another reason for remote learning for XXXXXX would be his ADHD and focus would become even more difficult in regards to keeping a mask on during the whole day. I would not be comfortable trusting that all children would not be touching their faces more during the day trying to deal with the masks. I am for wearing them, I just do not know how that will be strictly implemented for all students.

There has to be solutions for all families, ones that want to return to in person learning and others that do not want to have in person learning at this time.

Thank you for all of your thoughtfulness in planning for our staff and students.

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| Wearing a mask periodsOf time for a young child is not safe or healthy. The high levels of toxins are dangerous after wearing the mask for 5 min or more. This is not a viable option for such young, developing brains.   |
| A 2 foot social distancing with masks is not enough. It is irresponsible to put kids in the classroom because it is demanded by our President. Is the district ok "with a couple of student deaths?" because I'm not.  |
| no maske for children!!!!!!!!!!  |
| Mask should be a must along with hand hygiene. Perhaps school should consider installing air conditioner in the entire school.   |
| Don't get this wrong.  |
| I would be comfortable with less days or less hours but being a single working mother, there is no way I could swing less than normal hours 5 days a week but understand that may be considered to have less bodies in the building at a time. It will be challenging no matter what is decided.   |
| if split days, would want my child to do e-learning on the days he is not in school. He should be able to remote in to the lessons being taught. I also think that encores should be included in the e-learning as well.   |
| My kids want to go back to school  |
| Since we both work full time a partial schedule would be a childcare nightmare with 3 children.  |
| We know that this is a difficult decision. We as parents are not sure of the right answer, but we do know our kids need school. My son is special needs. He has a team of 7 people who help him be successful on a daily basis. I cannot do that on my own at home.  |
| Concerned kids will not be able to control themselves to keep masks on & proper recommended social distance. Also wondering what procedures are in place if a child shows up sick. Will everyone need to quarantine 14 days and will the school shut down?   |
| Kids NEED to go back to school. All of this screen time is terrible for them. I have been working on the front lines of covid in the hospital. This isn't going away. We have to find a way to deal with it in the safest way possible. Having kids quarantined in front of screens all day is NOT the answer. Please let them go back to school. It is vital for the physical and mental health. My daughter learned so little from e-learning. She NEEDS in person instruction.  |
| We would like there to be social distancing in the classroom, as well as not allowing communal projects during the First Trimester. As hard and disappointing that would be for the students and teachers, we feel that would help to ensure safety for all. Due to the uncertainty of this virus, it is very difficult to answer these questions not only as to what is best for our family, but as a reference for other families in the district. We understand how hard this process is for you and appreciate all your effort!  |
| I really like that Illinois has implemented masks as a requirement and I believe this is the number one factor of our family being ok with in-person learning. I noticed in the June survey results that one reason parents say they don't want a mask requirement is due to not being able to see facial expressions, however, there are cloth masks with a see-through window for expression. I also really like that the remote learning will be more structured and hopefully include small group assignments where the students are required to work without a teacher but together via video chat to complete some of the assignments. I hope the district is able to come up with physical education options and opportunities that are low risk and utilize the outdoors. Again thank you for these surveys, they are a great way of communicating the options being considered to families! |

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| With facemasks being required, will students be required to supply them and also will they be changing masks during the day since once they are moist from breathing they are no longer effective?   |
| Definitely not a fan of Masks so I would prefer either schedule that reduces the amount of time they have to wear masks.   |
| If the district goes back to in person learning, I hope they are able to somehow provide a remote learning option for us parents who are afraid to send our kids to school while there are still active COVID cases in McHenry County.   |
| Overall, while we realize other countries have been able to open school without spike in cases, our country is not handling this virus well nor containing it. I think it is best for the kids to have remote instruction, with teachers doing more live teaching with online platforms (zoom) or one-on-one 15-20 minute sessions each day with rest of day being parent directed. I just think it is a lot to ask of teachers to risk their health and a lot to ask families to send their kids to interact with others (many of whom who are in families who are not adequately socially distancing). I think it is imperative that each grade have at least 1 teacher who is doing full time remote teaching as an offering. Based on survey, it seems at least 1 classroom could be full remote learning. That would be better than having a teacher who does both in person and remote teaching, as the remote kids would not get as much attention and would feel more separated. |
| Creo q el regreso a clases es muy importante por muchas razones, yo entiendo q talves ay riesgo pero tambien se q todos aremos lo mejor posible para evitar esos riesgos,yo si estoy de acuerdo de q los ninos regresen en persona el nuevo ciclo escolar  |
| I appreciate you being learner-centered. I hope we are also considering the safety, health, and concerns of our teachers and administrators as well in this decision. Our hearts go out to you.  |
| How will pick up and drop off at school work? How will my child use the restroom? How will recess and lunch be managed? Will my child be confined to one classroom? What happens when my child gets injured or hurt and requires an adult to touch them? How have emergency evacuation protocols changed? What happens when a child or staff member in school is diagnosed with COVID-19?  |
| My Wehde child had a very difficult time with remote learning. He refuses zoom calls or acts out if he attends them. My South child did very well with remote learning however not having his structured routine in school or not being able to see his teacher and friends really affected him socially and emotionally. I prefer them to be in school and they are comfortable wearing masks. I do plan to request reimbursement or tuition credit for the transportation deposit I paid for my Wehde student. I now prefer to drive them to and from school each day rather than worry about the extra precautions they will have to take riding the bus.   |
| For health reasons I do not feel comfortable with any child having to wear a mask for any amout of time and recirculating their used dirty oxygen back into their system. (Seems like that might be worse for the lungs like second hand smoke)  |
| Will temps be taken before kids get on bus?  |
| We feel a hybrid model, combining in-person instruction and online learning would be best to start the year.   |
| I don't have confidence that the children in the classrooms will properly wear their facemask for the duration of the school day.  |
| Muchas gracias por todo lo que hacen por nuestros hijos, espero que ustedes tengan una buena reapertura de la escuela y que todo salga bien con nuestros hijos!! Gracias.  |
| Kids need social engagement  |
| Temps taken by the bus driver before they get on bus and if fever child sent back home   |

I do not accept face mask all day at school. How they will focus on lessons? Allergy or itch face because of this mask. I can't imagine. I not agree for face mask for my kids. They need to take a normal breath. Thank you.

We plan on following what the State and School Board recommend. We do personally feel a mix of in person and remote learning may be the best fit so not everyone is thrown into a building all together at once.

I appreciate everyone's efforts to do their best. The sooner plans come out the better so families can prepare home life and work life. Thank you for all your hard work.

My husband is a bus driver, and our son in sixth grade will home alone for a greater period of time depending on how the bus schedule changes. My two older children are in high school and will not be home when my sixth grader gets home. We are concerned about the amount of time he will be home unsupervised. We would like to see both districts 47 & 155 on the same schedule for this reason as well.

What if child has asthma? How will it work with face masks?

No masks.

Our kids want to go back to school

Given the current situation science dictates that I'm school learning is not a viable option. I am interested in the plan D48 has for the fall as we felt the remote learning in the spring was not adequate but understandable given the circumstances. Should this improve for the fall we will continue with D47; however if there is no structure or actual teaching/interaction over video or zoom we would loom for traditional home schooling options. I would strongly like to have better communication from teachers in advance and to actually on one place know what the assignments are and what is due for homework. There were too many different links and apps to follow and it was very confusing for my children and myself. I appreciate the work the teachers and district is doing to keep us safe and know everyone was doing their best. However I hope there were also lessons learned and an organized plan of online education. I would be interested in an opt in version of home school that I would be able to follow alto keep my children on tract with district learning so when it is safe to return to in person education our children will be on track with the rest of the class. Thank you.

Thank you for all your hard work. It is appreciated.

I am extremely concerned about my daughter contracting COVID 19 at school. It would be really hard to make sure the children are properly wearing their masks. I also think it will be hard for the kids to not touch their faces and each other.

I think it's a terrible idea to send all kids back to in person learning, especially through the first trimester. I am more comfortable with elearning for now, and seeing how the rest of the year plays out, as far as the virus is concerned. I understand that it's not that easy for everyone but I do think that remote learning should be made available throughout the 20-21 school year for the families that CAN make it work. I support the wearing of face masks but I don't feel comfortable asking my 8 year old to wear one for an entire school day and I also don't feel comfortable depending on other families to take temperatures every morning before sending their kids to school, with my daughter. Along with 8 year old, we have an almost two year old at home, and keeping them as safe as possible is the obvious goal here. I don't think that opening the schools completely helps with that goal at all. It's way too soon.

I think having my children in a mask all day long is absurd. They are to young.  
I also don't know who the other students or staff have been around. It's not safe.  
We are high risk!  
Thank You

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| <p>We made our decision to vote for daily half-day instruction with the assumption that the students would remain in their classrooms, study the core subjects, and then leave - avoiding the lunchroom, recess, Encore classrooms and teachers, and excessive time in hallways. FaceTime with his teacher, as well as interaction with other kids is important for our child, but his safety is also important and we'd prefer he not get any exposure around the school that is not necessary.</p> |
| <p>My husband and I will ONLY be comfortable sending my child to school if it is not 5 days a week for the full day because I do not agree that a 7 year old should be required to wear a mask for 7 hours a day when I can barely do that as an adult at my job.</p>  |
| <p>At this point I am debating whether to home school my child or send her back to school. I will make my decision in the next couple weeks.</p>   |
| <p>I chose in person instruction 1/2 days each day, but I am not fully comfortable with the choice. I think a hybrid model is best. I think it will be very difficult for students to wear the masks for long periods of time...especially at RMBS where it can be very hot in some classrooms.</p>  |
| <p>I feel the kids are not getting an adequate education with remote learning</p>  |
| <p>My child has a disability as is very adverse to wearing a mask. She needs in person learning and social interaction. How will this be handled?</p>  |
| <p>I have concerns about my child attending Husmann wearing a face mask with no air conditioning. His classroom will be upstairs and I think the heat paired with a mask will make learning unbearable and possibly dangerous. Is there a plan in place for this?</p>  |
| <p>Since I teach in the same district that my children attend, will we be able to choose to be on the same schedule with our children and will leniency be given to teachers who would like to drive their kids to school and may not be able to get to school on time at 8:10?</p>  |
| <p>I like the idea of 1/2 days Monday through Friday morning shift (7:30 to 11am) with half the class attends and social distancing practices. Then the second half of the class attends (11:30-3:30pm) for all Middle Schools. Having core classes only. While the teachers teach in one class room instead of students walking to different class room. No Lunch time needed because it's half days. No gym.</p>   |
| <p>I think, no matter what the district decides to do, a contingency plan will be needed in case a sudden spike in cases forces the state to shut down the school system again.</p>  |
| <p>I prefer half day because my youngest is going into TK and will likely not be happy wearing his mask all day, yet he needs the all important services to help push his development forward.</p>   |
| <p>I wish for my child to be back to full time school learning with teachers including things like PE, Art, etc</p>  |
| <p>The transportation question is difficult because one of my children will require the bus to and from school, but my other two do not qualify for transportation to school and are walkers.</p>  |
| <p>Thank you for asking for our input. We appreciate your hard work during this time!</p>  |
| <p>It is difficult to answer these because I am a teacher in the district.</p>   |
| <p>I would prefer remote learning BUT would be willing to see 2 days of in school half days and 3 remote learning days.</p>  |

I sincerely hope that parents will be given a choice on what they feel is best for their kids. If some people want hybrid learning let them. Or remote learning. I personally want my kids in school all day 5 days a week. I felt they learned next to nothing from March to the end of the year. They were done in an hour and bored. Young minds need stimulation and social interaction with peers. ( I cannot focus on my kids during the day to properly teach them, as i work at home full time, even before Covid-19)

I am 100% opposed to making facemasks mandatory on the school buses, making them mandatory during the school day and should they be made mandatory, my children will not be enrolled in school district 47. If fully remote learning is offered, as was the case last school year, we will participate in that. But again, I will not send my kids to school where they will be forced to wear a mask. Also, the zoom meeting last night pertaining to the school board meeting was an absolute joke. I'm curious where our tax dollars are going when you can't even afford the technology to set up a computer in a gym.

Since we are required to wear masks, we feel that half day in person instruction is the best way to move forward. We feel Zoom and remote learning via computer screen time should be left for emergency type situations only.

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I'm really conflicted on what to do. I'm worried about sending my children to school especially seeing that many parents do not want masks - I'm absolutely in favor of masks. I'm hoping that if there is full time elearning it will be full day zoom classes, lead by the teachers. I want my children to be working and interacting with their teachers more like a normal class day. Not just homework assignments emailed out. This has to be overwhelming thanks for all that you are doing and hearing us out...;)

What will be the protocol for if a student is diagnosed with covid. Not for the kid himself, but for those around him. What is the criteria for determining which kids will have to quarantine for how long? And will the teacher of said student also have to quarantine?

Our kids really need the social interaction and school instruction. Our family is full time working and there is no way we can do remote learning for both kids on top of full time jobs.

I think an A/B model where half the class comes one day and the other half the next alternating would be safest. Or alternating days Monday Wednesday and Tuesday Thursday's. Friday's could be for students that have iep's and special needs.

I'm just worried about my child's safety

We are willing to assume some risk to get our kids back into the classroom.

There are limited options for childcare due to the regulations being placed on Childcare facilities by IDHP and DCFS, limiting the number of student, so outside care is not available. Will medical waivers be granted for students attending school who have anxiety, etc? Will the teachers be moving between classrooms versus the students? Will there be additional nurses at the school to assess students who are having difficulties wearing the masks or who may have a medical event because of wearing the mask for 5+ hours a day (especially in those schools with no A/C? Will the school be adding more outdoor education opportunities (ie class under a tent) so that students have other engagement than in the classroom? Will the district have hot lunch available if the students will be eating in their classrooms? What happens if a student has common cold (runny nose), but no fever are kids going to be sent home and expected to get tested and stay at home for 14 days (as runny nose is new CDC symptom to look for of COVID)? Will the district consider a longer school year to bring students back up to speed, can the teacher's contract be amended to accommodate the needs of the students?

If we do e learning I would like my son to have reading help as he would in school daily

I understand there are no good answers, only varying degrees of tough choices. My family is really hoping for in person learning. If we can do in person learning I think full day every day is the best option. 3 days a week would be our second choice and half days would be a far distant third.

We want our son to go back to school because he needs in person as remote learning in the Spring did not work for him. The district has presented no plans on how they will support younger students who have no interest in remote learning. I am struggling with the two options given of risk his health for in person or go fully remote where I become the teacher and put my employment at risk.

If we are not given a good detailed plan to keep the students safe beyond just wearing face masks for in person, including the districts plan on what to do if there are positive cases then we will have to put him on the remote learning platform and hope for the best.

Hopefully you coordinate with D155, for those families that depend on older siblings for childcare and transportation needs

Currently I would be ok with a mix of in person (with smaller class sizes) and e-learning. Last spring my daughter did about 2hrs of work a day. There just wasn't that much for her to do and she didn't learn much. In person is better, but nobody wants to put our kids, teachers or other community members in harms way. So if you could somehow pull off in person learning while keeping the students apart (6ft or whatever) that would be the best scenario.

Wasn't an option but since my son is in a.m. preschool Monday through Thursday my most favored option would be to send him two of the four days and the other two days do remote learning

The importance for the kids going back to school is socializing, feeling the environment of a school, friends, I have a kid with special needs his routine it's out control without school his sensory issues increases and behavior too, plus the only way you will create anticuerpos it's to get exposed to the virus, we need to focus in a healthy diet, exercise so our immune system can protect us from not only this one so any virus, social distancing, fave cover, washing hands will be good and our kids can stop being growing with fear of another virus if come out, we can not leave in a bubble because when you come out from there you will be exposed of any kind of virus, please help kids to be kids

Thank you for all of your work on this. Based on what I'm seeing on social media, your job cannot be easy. Everyone thinks they are an expert and that their child's needs should be thought of above everyone else's. I don't envy the position that you are in.

The only thing I would like to see is a decision made sooner rather than later, as childcare will be an issue for our family. Thank you!

I plan to drive them, not because of the need for face masks, I just have the capabilities to do so and feel better with that option

We understand that this is a difficult decision and that factors change, but since we'd need to find daycare if full-day, everyday instruction isn't the chosen model, time is of the essence. We can't be the only parents in this boat.

I think social distancing needs to be a critical factor in any planning for in-person instruction. I also think a "what if" plan needs to be communicated (even if it's rough/hypothetical) ahead of time in case a 2nd wave hits and the plan has to adjust.

Hussman doesn't have air conditioning. The children will be so hot in masks. They need air conditioning while wearing masks.

We do not agree with the kids wearing masks all day.

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| <p>We are able to drive our child to and from school to make room for those who cannot.</p> <p>Thank<br/>You!</p>  |
| <p>We should be able to decide between kids going to school or remote learning from home.</p>  |
| <p>Thank you for all your time and energy working towards this end goal!</p>   |
| <p>Our childcare may not be available full time and we can not guarantee that elearning would be fully capable while at daycare, nor that we could financially afford daycare the entire semester.</p>   |
| <p>I understand masks will be required; however, I encourage you to look at science regarding masks and transmission. We know children are not asymptomatic carriers. We also know that masks will certainly be more problematic with spread in children. There is also a current hypothesis that COVID-19 could be spread by fecal-oral transmission. I understand there is so much to consider, but let science be your leader. When the American Academy of Pediatrics is also very strongly encouraging in-person instruction, then I feel confident that is best for our children. We take risks everyday, and I am willing to take the small risk. In fact, flu is seven times more deadly for our children than COVID-19.</p> |
| <p>My biggest concern is the lack of air conditioning at LMS and the kids wearing masks- I feel that's going to be too much for my kids in Aug/early September</p>   |
| <p>I would like to send my son with a shield instead of a mask. I will be providing that to him if that would meet the standard</p>  |
| <p>I plan on sending him on the bus, however, I am able to drive him to and from school to make room for those who cannot and rely on bus services.</p> <p>Thank you very much for asking our input. :)</p>  |
| <p>I would prefer the half day option honestly but I'm a teacher myself and not sure what fall will bring.</p>   |
| <p>As much as I want my children to attend class with their teachers and friends, I'm still very concerned about heat levels at Husmann or any other school without AC during the hottest part of the year and having children be required to wear face masks. This will surely lead to children passing out or feeling sick due to lack of air. There has to be something done to the schools that have 85 degree classrooms for children and parents to feel safe while wearing a mask and not risk over-heating.</p>  |
| <p>Our stance on transportation is, at this time, still they fluid. No definitive answer at this time.</p>   |
| <p>Middle school child is having difficulty with any mask wearing. Anxiety over covid.<br/>Grade school child can wear mask, but is constantly adjusting it.</p>   |
| <p>We did not do well with our Kindergarten student using remote learning as we both worked full time last school year. Our child had difficulty focussing on her homework and it was a struggle every day to complete it. Remote learning was not a good experience for her. She is normally an excellent student and used to love doing homework. For us, full day school for first grade this year would be best.</p>   |
| <p>Thank you for the continued communication and inclusion of families in the Boards' decision-making process.</p>   |

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| <p>We prefer 2-3 days in person and would of course want all three of our children on the same schedule so that it would still allow us to work outside of the home. For example sending kids A-L on certain days and M-Z on others. We only want in person learning if it is determined to be safe and there is a guarantee that all will follow the expectations of mask wearing when needed.</p> |
| <p>These kids are not learning as much as they should from eLearning and quickly falling behind for their grade level. The sooner they go back to school and normalcy the better.</p>   |
| <p>I am very panicked about my family returning to school. However, My kids need social and emotional interactions as they have been deprived of this— of no fault of any party— and this will be good for them.</p>  |
| <p>Will children be provided with PPE as backup for malfunctions or forgetting them?</p>  |
| <p>Will 504 accommodations be provided? Will extra services continue to be available— OT and sensory breaks, social worker, and speech?</p>   |
| <p>I need to be able to trust that all safety and health guidelines are enforced and adhered to at all times. This helps me feel better about in-person instruction.</p>  |
| <p>I am so frustrated that there is pushback about being required to wear masks. Like with everything, kids can be taught— they will master mask-wearing.</p>   |
| <p>I think a few full days is more manageable than five half days.</p>  |
| <p>I would like to hear about your plans if/when a child in the school contracts COVID.</p>   |
| <p>I am extremely worried about extending elearning to start the year. The teachers play a vital role in our children's development that I can not provide as a single parent working full time with multiple kids at home.</p>   |
| <p>Depending on what the reopening plan is, I could drive if it was 2 days per week, but if full time I would need busing to Lundahl middle school</p>  |
| <p>The kids need to be back in school!!! We will be living with this forever. We cannot keep them out of school! There will be major repercussions. If you don't want to send your child to school then don't. Please get them back in school!!!</p>  |
| <p>Wish my kids could take a bus. And I hope ymca is available for mornings</p>   |
| <p>I said I'd send my kids all day every day but only if safe distancing is in place which I do not see as a possibility due to space. It seems to me that there will have to be split shifts to allow enough distance between students in the classroom and in the hallways. So I'm not even sure why all day, every day is even an option?</p>  |
| <p>Please get these kids back in school.. for mental reasons and social reasons they need to get back! Their immunities will only become stronger!</p>  |
| <p>I feel remote learning is the best and safest option for the children &amp; families of D47 right now.</p>   |
| <p>I am a little concerned that by the sounds of it, D47 is not even trying to social distance. My husband is a teacher in another district and they have made it extremely clear that social distancing is their top priority. I work MWF so would need my kids to be in school those days. My husband is a teacher so his work schedule is unknown at this time.</p>                              |

Elearning wasn't very effective in our household.

I would really like to see the kids back in school for at least first trimester. Teachers can get to know their kids, so if we have to quarantine again, at least they'll have time to meet their students. Also, everyone thinks elearning will be better implemented this time around, but that is going to be tough to accomplish for so many reasons. Technology issues, teacher capabilities, home circumstances...the list goes on and on. Elearning needs to be an absolute last resort.

I think a well structured curriculum can be completed in a few hours, in person. Any encores can be done at home via zoom instruction by a live teacher.

Although 2-3 full days per week seems possible with remote learning on the other days, I am concerned that students and staff may not be able to tolerate wearing masks for that length of time and may require outdoor distanced breaks when masks could be removed for short periods of time.

The students need some form of in-person instruction for both their educational and social-emotional needs.

We still favour a hybrid model where some in person teaching could be good, with small class sizes, as well as some remote learning.

I am not too concerned with my youngest child who attends Wehde. Their school day is short and for the most part they stay within their classroom. I plan to send my Wehde kid to in-person. Wehde practices good hygiene with the kiddos with hand washing as soon as they arrive and hand sanitizer before they eat their snack. They do play stations that could be adapted to accommodate smaller groups and social distancing.

I am more concerned with my oldest who attends West. Last year, in kindergarten, he came home every day the first couple of months drenched in sweat. He wasn't drinking enough water throughout the day, even with my encouragement. I couldn't imagine him wearing a mask all day long and would be fearful of him passing out from being over-heated/dehydration. The other thing that bothers me is the lack of opportunities for hand washing. I was shocked when I discovered they did recess before lunch and didn't wash their hands before eating. I started including a hand wipe in his lunch bag and it would come home brown from dirt on his hands.

I am considering to homeschool my West child but I would love the option of remote learning for the 1st trimester (or longer).

We would prefer the children took the bus, but since we can not trust the children would socially distance on the bus we wouldn't want them to take the bus.

Please, please implement daily "live" teacher/student interaction if you choose remote learning!

For in person instruction, we would likely only allow our child to attend if classroom sizes were held to 50% capacity to increase social distancing to a satisfactory level.

Currently I feel like a half day of in-person instruction in core areas with small class sizes makes the most sense. Encore classes can be taught remotely via zoom, etc..

I too work at a school and am not sure if I will be attending work or we will do elearning. I would not have daycare if I return to work and my kids dont go to school. Transportation will be helpful even though as of right now I dont qualify for it. I am worried about the covid numbers still going up.

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| <p>My daughter will be going into first grade this year, and I actually asked her input on this as well. She wants to go back to school all day so badly, but I am not sure if she realizes how hot it will be in the mask. I'm sure I'm not the only one concerned about the lack of air conditioning in the building and these kids wanting to take their masks off because they are too hot. Has there been any consideration to installing some window air conditioning units? Or something similar at least short term. Also, I hope there would be hand sanitizer being used frequently in the classrooms as I know hand washing all the time with that many kids would be near impossible.</p>   |
| <p>I'm really not comfortable with the kids going back to school in August, my oldest has an asthma problem and he is high risk.</p>  |
| <p>I work at d155 and do not know what flexibility I will have to stay home with my kids if there is full or partial Elearning this year. My #1 hope right now is to find out when my kids will be physically going to school and when they won't so I can come up with a plan. I am scheduled to go back on August 3rd.</p>  |
| <p>I am in favor of in person learning or a hybrid of in person and remote learning. I am hoping that the model that the district puts in place is a model that allows the school and classrooms to only be a partial capacity. Restaurants, movie theaters, gyms, etc are only allowed to be partial capacity, so why would we force our school buildings to be at full capacity. We need to find a way for the younger grades (only bc my son is in 1st grade) to get the in person instruction they need while still maintaining the health and safety of the students and staff. I would not be opposed to pushing the school year back to Sept if it gives the district more time to figure everything out. Thanks!</p>  |
| <p>These questions were hard to answer without more detail in the plans. 1/2 day in person will be impossible for most working parents. Full day or nothing seems to be the best way to plan. I know these decisions are hard. Thank you for all your efforts.</p>  |
| <p>At this time we know as a FACT the virus has little effect on children, the mortality rate is extremely low. We need to resume normal in-person schooling while practicing high hygiene standards. I believe students should not be wearing masks while sitting at their desks and teachers should be social-distancing from children (not wearing masks). Masks can be worn in the hallways/bathrooms, etc.</p>   |
| <p>If in person instruction is the option I am quite concerned about the health of my children. I have a child that has special needs child will need to interact with a one on one aide during her day. I want to know that every concern and precautions are being taken with all my children. I am still very worried about in person instruction.</p>   |
| <p>I think it is important to get kids back in school. As the Senate testimony of the CDC showed, there are over 29 other countries that have returned to schools with virtually no transmissions from students to teachers and very little affect peer to peer. Certainly safety and health is key, but the science shows it can be done, and hopefully with measures in place, children can get back to a productive learning atmosphere with their teachers and fellow students back together to make sure their social and mental health is not adversely affected further, mostly by getting back to their routines in some manner. Praying for the best outcome and compromises that help the kids and teachers get back to it and be the best they can be.</p> |
| <p>It seems you are providing very limited options. No hybrid option? Doesn't really seem you're taking protocols into consideration. What's this survey supposed to help you guys decide? Seems like you've already made up your minds. Also - I haven't heard very many positive attitudes from your district about your own teachers. If you don't care about them how are they supposed to care about my kids?</p>  |
| <p>Our daycare really depends on what the district decides as my wife is a teacher in the district.</p>   |
| <p>I don't believe young children can use the masks effectively. But if that's the only way to have in-person instruction, we agree to do so.</p>   |
| <p>My concern is really keeping surface areas clean. Crowded hallways and cafeteria do worry me a lot. Sick kids need to stay home and that definitely does not happen...</p>   |

Year round schooling if less in person days. Better remote learning instruction (ex. Pre-recorded classes and daily zoom classes.) One zoom class per week was not sufficient. Spring 2020 relied too heavily on the parent and could have been more engaging with the teacher.

My child has underlying health issues that COVID 19 could have a detrimental effect on her health. Children can't attend school without a physical and up to date immunizations, yet I'm expected to send her during a pandemic without a vaccine even available. No Thank You

I am extremely concerned about the safety of the teachers and having an adequate number subs to handle when a teacher falls ill (because as a elementary school music teacher, I know that it is WHEN and not IF).

With the guidance from medical professionals, I also feel strongly that masks need to be worn, but I am concerned how students will be able to keep them on. I and the stress this will put on the staff. It will take away from instructional time to keep students' masks on throughout the lesson. New evidence on the aerosol transfer of this virus also concerns me. The classrooms in the basement of North do not seem safe. And the single bathroom for students will be impossible to keep clean between each student use.

Thank you for all that you do-this is a lose lose situation with so many polarizing political opinions. We appreciate your efforts to keep our children safe, but please watch carefully over your staff, as well. It devastates me to think of a teacher falling ill in a push to bring students back when there has not been enough time to prepare buildings.

I am Ok with any decision that is made and very comfortable with e-learning. My main concern is my elementary student and how much germs will be present due to the little ones not fully understanding the issues. My daughter often gets placed in classes with students with special needs or behavioral issue; this concerns me do to them having trouble following basic rules which they cannot control and by all means not their fault. I just do not feel she will be as safe as my middle schooler.

Are sped students exempted from wearing masks? If it's half days then how will related service meet minutes. Any consideration to allow sped students back full time? Is sped being represented on a committee? We listened to part of the board meeting and never heard anyone representing sped.

With the amount of children who have IEPs, in person instruction is highly needed. I personally feel my child did not benefit from his zoom meetings with his IEP team. Meetings often changed without notice many times.

I personally would rather my child do remote learning until we know they can return safely to school without the use of masks. My son had a lung condition as an infant and for him to wear a mask for 7-8 hrs is asking too much of our children. Especially if they are active like in P. E. Seeing the rising cases again, I honestly do not feel comfortable sending him back to school just yet. I think we should have the option and there should be two plans for e-learning and those who want to attend in person.

In my opinion, the best option is a half day with no lunch. Those eligible for free lunch could get a bag lunch to go.

If all day in person learning is what the district goes with I think there need to be added in mask breaks. Plenty of opportunities for classes to utilize the nice weather in order to get outside be spaced and have a break from the mask. I don't think that is unreasonable. Teachers could also take a lesson outside during this time.

The number one priority for returning to school in the fall should be safety. There should be no pressure from the decisions of other districts and politics certainly should not come into play. The well-being of all should be valued by the Board.

If kids have 2-3 days of in person learning, will they have remote on remaining days?

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| I answered but I am still unsure of my answers. I am very torn on how I would want to proceed.   |
| I am able to drive them to school  |
| From what I observed from the BOE meeting on 7/7/2020 and through the efforts of this survey, I truly appreciate the work being done by the D47 BOE and Administration. Your attempts to put children first, balancing their education and safety, along with the balance of your workforce is commendable. We appreciate you!   |
| If part time attendance is a possibility, time for plan for child care will be necessary.  |
| At this point, we are feeling more comfortable with full remote learning. The primary reason for that decision is our first-grade daughter's social-emotional well-being. With her anxious tendencies and school looking so different from what she grew to love in her first year, I think we'd like to wait until school looks more familiar to her. We will also have newborn at home, so health/safety concerns are part of that decision, too. That said, if the in-person learning option was half-day M-F, we would very strongly consider returning to school, which is the ultimate goal. Managing a new routine at school with a mask seems much more manageable in a half-day scenario, plus the consistency would be beneficial. |
| I'm concerned about my 5th grader at Husmann in an upstairs classroom without air conditioning   |
| I am still not 100% on any decisions until more information is provided. For the children to wear masks all day is brutal they are too young and I still don't think there are enough facts to prove they will help. Kids that are sick need to stay home. The amount of influenza that went around last year was over the top and kids weren't wearing masks. I need more information before making a final decision. Thank you for the updated information.  |
| Thank you for all your hard work during this difficult time. We appreciate all that you do.  |
| My son has Asthma and a mask will not work for him. Plus he may be to distracted by the mask he is on a 504 plan. XXXXXX   |
| My child (4yo) has gotten used to wearing masks at her therapy sessions (only 1 hr long), I am worried about a 3hr stint with a mask on. She already has allergies and I worry about asthma as I have it and her grandfather have it.  |
| With the current pandemic and clearly inflated cases around the country, I would hope that social distancing is a variable. This makes a hybrid model the most logical, with kids attending a few days per week! What about when a case is within the school? I haven't heard any kind of guidelines. Please think of the school staff, as many are high risk! We will not have enough subs, as they are often retired teachers. There are so many factors that make in-person, full time very irrational! I am highly concerned about the lack of air conditioning at many building as well, which is a struggle outside of COVID in the early months!  |
| If school opens and there is an option for a split week full day at home and next day full day in school I would have my children do this.   |

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| <p>*We are very concerned about Husmann, and the lack of air conditioning.</p> <p>*We are in favor of the AM/PM split shift looking like this:</p> <p>-All grades are in attendance AM/PM, splitting the class in half. So instead of a 3rd grade with 24 students in the classroom , group A will attend in the morning( 12 students) group B in the afternoon. Like a half day Kindy model.</p> <p>- The school day are the regular hours. If students need to make up time (grades 1-8) they can be sent with work to do at home. Not the core subjects.</p> <p>-specials can still be incorporated. An idea is one day a week the students get all of their specials. That could be a great time for teachers to collaborate and get PD.</p> <p>*When, and if, we go to remote instruction please use one universal online platform.</p> <p>*For remote learning please have ZOOMS be more than just a wellness check. Please include direct instruction when applicable, especially for math.</p> <p>*No sharing of supplies</p> <p>*What is the protocol if my student, a family member in the home, teacher, or classmate test positive for COVID-19?</p> <p>Thanks! ~XXXXXX</p> |
| <p>We want what's best for the health and safety of our child, all children and the amazing teachers and staff of the school. The learning and social consequences will simply have to be dealt with.</p>   |
| <p>I'm kind of 50/50 right now. I think remote learning is best option for a while to see what happens but if the school opens my son will go. Just don't think he will like wearing a mask all day and no gym with a mask! We will do whatever you decide</p>  |
| <p>I am a teacher in D155 so I answered these questions based on not knowing what my work situation will be. My husband is currently working from home so he has some flexibility. If he does not go back to his office we might not use the bus and have him drive the kids but I did deject yes to using the bus just in case he does go back to the office and I cannot guarantee we will be able to find a way to get the kids to school. Thank you for all of your hard work during this difficult time. Whatever we end up doing I know that you have the best interests for our students!</p>  |
| <p>As decisions are made for returning to school this fall, it would also be helpful to know each schools plan for if/when a COVID exposure/outbreak occurs. Thank you for asking our opinions. It is appreciated.</p>  |
| <p>I selected half day in person learning 5 day a week because children wearing masks longer than this will be difficult. If this happens, I would like to see additional homework based on that days learning come home to be completed. I would like to see this in a question and answer format that the children can hand in the next day. Using so many different portals, passwords, etc became quite a task so text book homework would be better for my children.</p> <p>If half day were to be the selected option, I would prefer the main core subjects to be the main focus.</p> <p>I would prefer my children not to have music because the virus spreads rapidly the more we use our voices. Gym can be done at home also or even both be done via zoom. I would like to have the option to buy my children their own crome books so they do not need to share with other children. I will buy my children anything to help keep Them safe but would like a list from the school of anything they may need for their grades. Thanks</p>   |
| <p>N/a</p>  |

Based on other states unable to control outbreaks. If a child has left the state of Illinois, they should be required to quarantine for at least 14 days before returning to school. Thinking especially about Labor Day and kids coming back from Florida, Texas and Arizona especially.

I'm about 95 percent certain my child will not attend in person no matter what the state, or board decides (or the federal dept of education either) I dont trust that my child will not be exposed to other children from families that do not take this seriously. Are masks required to cover both mouth and nose? Who enforces this? What if it's a teacher who also doesnt take this seriously? Will that person enforce it? What if someone is exposed but doesnt disclose it because they dont have daycare? Too much can go wrong with this. I need serious convincing, because I am reminded daily that too many cannot be trusted to do the right thing. I'm still trying to figure out how I can juggle my job and homeschooling. Dont even know where to start yet, but unless you guarantee my son's safety, which we both know the district cannot, it's looking like my child will suffer with inadequate learning from me, a serious lack of social interaction with others, and quite possibly a mom who begins drinking.

I would Love it if the district would do recorded teaching by the teacher so the kids will logon and actually be taught the content then do the work on their own as they would in class and then we report back at the end of the day

I am eager for my child to return to in-person learning and am thankful Illinois took stringent measures early on in the pandemic. However, I'm not comfortable having the children all together back in school full-time during the first trimester. Indoor, large gatherings where social distancing isn't possible is still a very risky and a highly discouraged practice. At this particular time it seems like a huge risk to take with our children and staff members. Additionally, since children reportedly are the primary age group to be asymptomatic, it would create an unreasonable risk to bring them together and then send them home to families who either live or work with people who are at much greater risk of serious complications. As we all know, the virus is incredibly contagious.

We know how sickness spikes dramatically in the fall simply by putting children together all at once, and those are germs/viruses we are actually familiar with. COVID-19 is far more contagious than the illnesses we already know how to treat.

Realistically, children have a much tougher time remembering how to regularly practice safe, regular hygiene, and (at least with what I've seen with my own children) they tend to bend the rules when friends enter the picture in terms of social distancing. For the first term I would feel much more comfortable having my child continue with remote learning. I feel the start of the school year is just too close for administrators to be able to explore and implement measures that are necessary to reasonably ensure everyone's safety. I would be much more comfortable with remote learning during the first term, which would also provide schools more time to explore options and analyze the rapidly changing data regarding COVID-19, protective measures, transmissibility and testing availability.

I very much appreciate the ability to provide feedback. I understand no matter what is decided there are going to be many unhappy people. Your task is not an enviable one, but I am grateful you have asked for input from the parents of students.

Concerned about children in the ASPIRE program at South. My Autistic son will not keep a mask on.

Kids need to go back to school. No amount of remote learning can replace a in-class learning environment. WE all need to try very hard to get back to normalcy. Decisions about what the school is going to be like upcoming school year need to be made at local level, not State. Our governor has plenty of problems he created in Chicago and should no be concerned about district 47. He should focus on the Lawlessness there. I'm willing to pay extra tuition money for the year if that will help as long as the \$\$\$ goes directly to school for the teachers salaries, cleaning and day to day operations, and not to the state. I understand not all families can afford this but if we all work together we can make this school year a success. Keeping the kids and staff safe and healthy should be # 1 goal.

Thank You GM.

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| Having the children wear masks all day will be hard   |
| We don't necessarily need live zoom daily but would prefer more teaching, even if the teacher did daily teaching of the curriculum, reading groups, and so on. Thanks!  |
| I believe that if parents or guardians are responsible and keep their kids home if they have a fever or simply don't feel good and if the school take the extra steps to take temperatures as kids enter school we can eliminate the majority of Covid issues that may arise.   |
| I am not sure what I would decide if remote learning or in class. I do not want my child in a mask for 7 hours. I would hope the days would be shorter if they have in school classrooms. I also would want to know what it would look like before I made any decision. I am in the middle of both options without knowing what they look like. Remote learning didn't work the best for my child however I also don't feel it is healthy to be in a mask for that long and especially with out. If I have more details as to how many kids in class , spacing of desks ,what lunch looks like etc it may help people know little more what they may decide. Thanks for your time and your concerns of all our kids!  |
| How will sick days be counted against them? Will work be provided if a kid is home with a cold? If it is split schedule would my kids be on the same schedule? How is middle school working, I have a student at Hannah too?  |
| My top priority is safety for everyone involved - students and staff. I will support the safest choice possible.  |
| If it is a split schedule would it be possible to have siblings that are at the middle school be on the same schedule as there sibling in the lower grades?   |
| I can take my children to school and back home  |
| Thank you so much for all that you are doing to create this plan!   |
| I am not opposed to the kids and teachers wearing masks. I am concerned for the health of all students and staff.   |
| What is the Protocol for when a student test positive? Is the whole class going to have to quarantine for 7 to 14 days? At that time, will those students be provided remote learning opportunities?  |
| I do not think the children will adhere to the idea of social distancing, keeping masks on, or washing hands as regularly at school with teachers/supervisors as they do with parents.  |
| If in-person learning is required, I will unenroll my child from school to homeschool.  |
| I have two children in two different schools. I am fine with driving one to school because the school is about five minutes from my house, but Wehde is 25 minutes from my house, so a 50 minute round trip not including drop off or pick up time. That student needs to be biased as the drive is far to long for me to have my other kids sit in the car for.  |
| I do not feel like it's a good idea to put the teachers and students back in schools. Nothing has changed from the spring so the safety hasn't gotten better. Masks and social distancing can't be counted on in this setting to keep everyone safe. Especially in elementary schools. Improvement upon elearning would be the best route to take. Teachers and students shouldn't be asked to put themselves at risk because some of the community needs childcare. That should be sought after elsewhere. Once immunizations are possible then schools can reopen. Until then I do not feel it is safe. Also, the at risk children will feel worse if they are kept home elearning while peers are at school. But it would be nice to provide elearning as an option if the schools do in person.<br>I'm worried about encores as well since those staff see the entire school in a week. What if they become sick or are non-symptomatic? However those subjects are just as important to the curriculum. It just isn't possible to plan for keeping COVID out of schools in a complete way. |

Is ET still available?

The reality is that parents and teachers want kids back in school. We know that is the ideal and best option. But we can't risk student/staff safety/health just so we can get back. I hope the district will ignore political influence and do what's safest for everyone involved. I already see many people ignoring the mask guidelines. Thank you!

Air at Husmann is a concern that needs to be addressed. I want my child back full time, and I do not mind a mask, but I worry about the quality of learning without at least a classroom based window unit or portable unit of some kind that can be used in the classroom. I would be happy to contribute a donation to help offset cost for my child's classroom.

Please send these kids back to school!!

Thank you for seeking parent input! This is a tremendous task and will be ever changing. I do have great concerns about the hybrid model and what children are doing on their "home"/remote learning days with working parents. There's multiple issues. Students attending daycare facilities/in home child care/ babysitters will just expose them to greater amount of germs and different germs (than just those at school) Because facilities and homes will take kids from all over. Also, these places will not have to adhere to strict guidelines and policies that schools do. Also-who will facilitate the remote learning for these student on their "home" days if they are not home because parents work? Thank you.

Good luck to the team trying to figure this out. I'm sure you will do the best you can.

Face masks MUST be required for students and staff to return responsibly, under ANY hybrid model. It cannot be optional. That is the only way kids will all feel comfortable doing it. Need a hybrid option that has 1 week in person, 1 week remote...need more time in between in person learning. If masks are not required we will not be sending children to school.

I know this is not an easy decision. Thank you for all you do!

I think we need to stress that masks are not optional, even though some people are not for it. Also, I would be interested in hearing the district's plan for what happens when someone in the schools tests positive for COVID. We appreciate everything everyone is doing for our kids. This is such a crazy time and we recognize there are no instruction manuals with how to deal with the current pandemic environment.

For parents who need child care, given a split-week schedule, or half-day schedule, will the district be able to provide assistance in one of their buildings and be able to support social distancing? Also it would be extremely helpful if D47 was able to coordinate and implement similar scheduling with other local districts that ultimately feed in to D155 (47, 26, 3, and 46).

There is absolutely no safe way to have our children in a classroom or on a packed bus at this time. Our children and their health are our first priority. I hope we can all come together safely in the near future but this is definitely not the time. I don't want my child to be one of the ones who catch this virus and has to suffer for the rest of her life with complications. I've work way too hard over the past few months to keep her safe and don't feel I'd like to throw it all away when there are other options.

Safety of my child is most important for me. He did great during elearning, so I am not concerned about his learning. The teachers were amazing during that time and kept him very engaged. He was able to concentrate on school without any worries about getting the virus.

I understand the times are difficult and decisions need to be made. Although remote learning is challenging, it is the safest bet. The video calls are great for the students to see each other. Masks and distancing are hard for even some parents to understand and/or align to. It will be much harder for children.

I do not want my children going to school with kids who are not wearing masks. If need be the kids not wearing masks should be there on different days then the kids who are willing to wear them.

My husband and I really want to see the children back in school!

We are both essential employees and we cannot do any form of remote learning. Our children need to be in school in person.

The AAP strongly recommends that children are fully in school in-person. Teachers should wear masks if they choose. Children should wear a mask if they choose but it should not be mandatory. Research is showing that children and asymptomatic people are not spreading the virus therefore there is absolutely no reason as to why school should not resume as usual. The data from McHenry County should also be taken in consideration and there is not a large risk here. Woods Creek has small class sizes. Kids need recess, cafeteria time, PE, and socialization with other kids. Children should not be allowed in school at all with any symptoms such as coughing, sneezing, runny nose, temp, etc. Children who are ill should be staying at home, not healthy children. The AAP recommendations (who are the medical experts of children) should be dictating the plan for children rather than politicians, IDPH, or the CDC. 1/2 day or hybrid models are not realistic for working parents and should not be considered at all. Parents should be able to decide if they want their children to attend in-person school as usual with no restrictions or stay home and do remote learning or homeschooling. Thank you.

Don't think its safe for kids. I don't think there is enough adult supervision to guarantee that they won't remove their mask. I work with my mask on all day and it's unnecessary that my kids do too when we are in the 21st century and you can remote teach

Depending on the outcome of how school will return, will help me in deciding wether or not my children will be renrolled or not.

To support structure and the importance of social interaction of students and appropriate learning schools need to reopen 5 days a week.

My children are independent learners and will continue to do well with remote learning. However, I appreciate the needs of other students and families that can only be met with in person instruction. Unfortunately, I do not feel that the district will be able to meet all of the required recommendations and enforce them. I'm also concerned that schools will again shutter and return to e-learning due to increasing cases this fall. If there's a good chance of the latter, we may as well start the year with e-learning.

Me gustaría que nos dieran la opción de decidir si quiero mandar a mi hijo a la escuela o no , en mi caso tengo dos personas de alto riesgo de mi casa . También mi hijo no puede respirar con la máscara y le da miedo . Mi salud mental no está muy bien y no quiero pasar por la ansiedad de pensar cómo está mi hijo en la escuela . Muchas gracias !

While my family understands the importance of in-person learning, I don't think we, as a country/community, are in a position currently, to properly handle in-person education for our children. Additionally, the requirement of wearing masks for a full-day session as well as distancing doesn't seem feasible at this point. Unless we could do half-day sessions (8:30-11:30 & 12:30-3:30) with smaller classrooms, we feel remote learning is the better scenario at this point.

Our concern with the face mask is the kids not keeping them on, dropping them, etc. With our children in the CDP program for special needs kids, we feel strongly these kids need to be back into a school structured setting and help from a teacher. The home e-learning was not as effective, but we understand it was temporary. If we have to home school, via e-learning for 1st semester, our fear is that the boys will regress given the amount of time away from school. While we want our kids, and others as well, to be safe, we are on board with whatever needs to take place and will do our best to guide our kids the best we can! We appreciate all that the school district is doing, and has done, thus far! Thank you!

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| I am a teacher and waiting to hear what my school day will look like so that I can make more informed decisions for my children later whether it be remote learning or in person. If my schedule can match my kids school schedule I would choose remote learning.   |
| We feel in person instruction is very important for social/emotional well being.   |
| I am nervous of not having full day, 5 days a week. I would not hate child care and really hope the kids can attend the regular schedule but with guidelines like face masks   |
| I am very pro-mask and have worn one since March 2020. But, the thought of putting my 5 year old and 3 year old in a mask to school conjures so many feelings. Sadness, anger, confusion. I think the ISBE is trying to protect students in Illinois but not thinking of all the variables. The impact on the kids, the added stress on teachers, THE USEFULLNESS OF A MASK ON KIDS FOR 6 HOURS, the actual risk at a county level for COVID, physiological impacts on kids, learning impairment of a mask ( my son has speech delays and masks causes increased anxiety and fear that people won't understand him when they can't see his mouth), etc. In short, COVID is a health risk but the prevention of the spread must be based on logic. Making kids wear a mask to meet the goal of preventing the spread is not an educated decision. |
| School is supposed to be a FUN learning experience. None of these options sound fun, they sound depressing.  |
| Logistically, I'm genuinely not sure how schools will manage to open. I do believe, however, kids need to be in school. If remote learning continues to be the primary educational method, then the 2020-2021 school year needs to be exponentially more in-depth than the remote learning experienced at the end of this past year.   |
| My main concern is the fact that masks are mandatory. I cannot imagine the kids and teachers wearing them all day for different reasons. I'm also concern about my children's social-emotional well-being and mental health if there will be no lunch or recess.   |
| Eligible for transportation for HBMs only not glacier  |
| I am not sure my kids will be going back to school. We may just continue with homeschooling.   |
| Just as it is difficult for you to know what this will look like when the time comes, it is just as difficult to make a decision until we know what this pandemic looks like when school starts thus affecting my answers. I don't envy your job and the decisions that are upon your shoulders at this time. Please know I support you and appreciate these surveys to get as much input as possible. Be safe.  |
| I know this isn't easy. Please please think outside the box. Can we have blended classrooms like Zoom half the kids and the other half in person? Please please use volunteers and push the PTOs to think creatively. How can we work as a community to support our children, teachers and families? If art is done at home, can PTOs prepare packages for projects at home? Can one on one reading volunteers still take place over Zoom? I hope you're getting the PTOs together - please let me know how I can help!  |
| I think our teachers did a great job at remote learning last year. I would prefer that option, but do realize parents work and that would become difficult. A partial day of school excluding encores would be another good option. If the district decides to do all day in school learning, I will choose to keep my kids home to homeschool. Thank you.   |
| How would half day even work? Full school for half day? What's the point. The kids are equally exposed whether it's 4 hours or 7. Would half just eliminate the kids together in lunch?  |
| How are teachers going to keep up if half of the kids are remote and half are at school  |
| The kids need to be back in school   |

It's a very hard situation to even think of sending our kids back to school wearing mask all day, And just like I'm sure a lot of parents must feel it's scary too think of our children being in risk of getting sick. If for us adults it's hard having to work 8+hrs wearing a mask I can't even come to imagine a kid.

I am most worried about if my child with speech therapy does not have in-person classes.

We are simply too far from the middle school my children are zoned for for them to arrive And depart in any other way than by bus without it being a significant inconvenience to work schedules of both parents.

I hope that if the decision to come back to school is made, it should be so safely for all involved. Specially the children.

My child is used to riding the bus, we are also moving in the next month and do not know how close/far we will be to the school. We can probably be flexible and not need bus services. So we could go either way as of today.

I would only be comfortable with in person schooling if it was on a part time basis as one of the questions alluded to (i.e. 1/2 days M-F; or 2-3 days a week full days). Assign extra homework if needed or have remote learning on the off time if necessary. I don't think full time schooling and masks are a good combination, especially for the younger students.

If the 1/2 day option is chosen: will all siblings in a household have the same schedule, Will there also be remote learning or extra homework expectations for the other 1/2 of the school day.

With up to 50 students per bus will routes be made for shorter time on busses?

My husband and I are educators in 2 other districts that are also still trying to figure out school days and schedules.

Depending on the option Chosen and the timing, we may need childcare for our 2nd grade child, we would like to have it as an option.

It would be greatly appreciated if D47 could let parents know the plan (no plan will be ideal for anyone) ASAP, as well as if children will be am/pm, and any/ all details regarding classes, schedules, sanitation measures, etc...

I appreciate the district's efforts to get parent input and feedback, but with this pandemic, there will not be an ideal option For students or staff.

Given our job situation we will make the best out of whatever the district decides, as long as we can be sure all measures regarding health & safety are being taken.

I would not need childcare, if my employer- D47 allowed me to be on the same schedule as my children, so I am home when they are. I would also not need transportation if there was flexibility with what time I came to work or if I was still able to work partially from home. As I nurse- I would not be comfortable with either of the partial day options presented here... the only way to help increase social distancing and decrease risk is to decrease class sizes- some of my thoughts were half of a class/teacher attend in the morning and the other half attend in the afternoon with those employees not comfortable coming into the building doing remote learning while the others do in person learning.... not sure how to make that work, but I believe that would be our safest option.

Our family will be able to adapt well to whichever situation the district finds most appropriate. We chose full in-person learning because we feel the social advantages are important. Thank you for your hard work.

I think the schools will do their due diligence and come up with a plan or plans that will work for most families and will be in accordance with IDPH.

I would like them to have either portable or window unit A/C especially for the second floor classrooms if they are expected to be in a mask all day long. I think that would cause health issues if the children are expected to be in masks in an un-air conditioning school.

I don't need the bus if it means getting kids back to school. Would love no mask but if it means getting school in fall for first Trimester I'm ok with it. Will be very hot at LMS with mask and no AC along with wearing glasses. Oldest needs the social interaction.

I am concerned about face masks. I do not feel the current research shows a need for children to wear masks. I have a son with special needs and I feel that wearing a mask will hinder his learning and development.

I don't feel comfortable with my child wearing a mask all day.

E- learning has to be much better than last spring. They need to actually teach instead of push assignments.

Masks must be worn and worn properly

As of right now with CDC guidelines, school starting in August, and no air conditioning at Husmann, I will be choosing remote learning first semester for my child. I will though pull her from District 47 and home school her if there is not a better remote learning educational plan given from the district which was told to prepare such a plan in the spring. I'm highly disappointed that our district does not have a set plan in place yet to provide for parents but can send out such a survey as this without giving us any remote learning plan.

We are also highly disappointed that the first survey results were given, read and reviewed before yesterday's board meeting and yet no definite decisions have been made. It seems that our school parent community is concerned with health safety of our students above their child's social emotional needs and yet the board spoke as if this was the opposite. Please hear our voices.

You are naive to think you can pull off the all in option without serious consequences potentially fatal given how little our country still understands this disease, how it spreads and the long term affects.

While we have had daycare in the past i am not sure we can afford or provide childcare as we did in the spring. I'm not sure it's available or sustainable for our family and i fear that would be the same for many. Also i do not have a problem with face masks and trust that the district can navigate use of gyms, library's, stem class rooms, auditoriums etc to keep classes small and keep kids safe and healthy. I'd happily send more wipes and sanitizers with my kids and provide for families in need. I also would welcome a zoom focus group or town hall or having parents as allies or advocates for the board, district leadership etc. while my family would navigate e-learning it's not ideal and i worry about the kids whose family has challenges that would have them at risk. It's unprecedented times and there is no road map.

We do not intend to utilize bus service. However based on previous experience with bus use, and enough issues with them before masks, how will mask requirements be enforced on the bus? The bus drivers responsibility is to drive the bus not to be constantly monitoring whether kids are wearing masks.

I prefer no masks but realize that will not be an option. 2 of my 3 children would like to go back to school regardless. I plan on sending my kids knowing that if they are unhappy that I will withdraw them and homeschool. I am not open to a hybrid model. If a hybrid or all remote is used I would withdraw my 1st grader and 4th grader and let my 6th grader choose what he wants to do. I don't feel like my 1st grader will get the education and structure that he needs from remote learning. Even if it's a hybrid model. The social distancing and no lunch ect sounds pretty depressing to me. The main reason for me to send my children instead of just deciding now to homeschool is socialization. But if it seems like they are unhappy with the situation I will not hesitate to withdraw and homeschool.

Good luck getting my kids to keep their masks on! They should not be required to wear masks, but for their social and emotional health they need to stay in school full time 5 days a week.

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| My daughter is new to the district this year and my fiancé and I both work. If normal school hours aren't provided or it is only e learning we won't have childcare or anyone to do her e learning with her.  |
| I do not feel that children on the bus are well behaved enough to maintain safe social distancing and I will not expose my children to unnecessary risk.  |
| My child has special needs and wearing a face mask may not be an option. Keeping clothes on is a struggle.  |
| Understanding that Spring 2020's remote learning was sudden, will the district provide a consistent structure across all schools if remote learning is in place for Fall 2020? I spoke to parents with kids in the same grade as mine and I felt some teachers had a better structure than we did with remote learning.   |
| I teach in a nearby school district. It is important to me that My schedule and my child's schedule match for childcare purposes. My child is enrolled in ET through the CLPD. If they will be providing childcare when the children are not in school then the schedule will not be a concern.   |
| With the evidence of cases rising with states reopening, I'm not comfortable sending my children to school where there is no control over a child sneezing, coughing or not practicing hand washing spreading the virus to others. While I realize this is a frustrating situation, we all must sacrifice our normal to stop the spread of the virus.   |
| The masks all day is ridiculous to expect children to wear  |
| Thank you All for working so hard to find a good solution to these crazy times. You are all in our prayers  |
| I requested full day instruction, but would also like to request 5 day per week 1/2 day instruction for kindergarten. Thank you.  |
| It's not fair or even should be considered to put our children thru the torture of being in a mask for long periods of time. Zoom should be the way of learning. Each class, each day, at a specific time that all students must attend   |
| I think they should go back full time. My 4 year old is on an IEP and it is important he gets the help he needs IN SCHOOL before starting kindergarten. It has also been hard on the kids socially. Also, remote learning was very difficult for us in the last few months of school. I think they definitely need to go back. Thank you  |
| Blended approach with 1/2 day in person a few days a week and e-learning the other days.  |
| As a parent I think for a young child, k-2 or 3rd grade would be very hard to be at school wearing a mask all day long. Every year when kids start school they start getting sick because there are too many kids and parents send their kids sick to school so just imagine if one gets the Corona virus everyone will start to get it. It's a big concern. Kids touch their nose, their eyes, mouth and are not constantly washing hands. They're touching everything at school. I would like remote learning to continue regardless of what the state decides. It's the safer option for everyone. |
| What information do you have for families with students in outplacement situations? No questions specifically for this.   |
| Very concerned about sending children as covid is not yet under control. I am concerned about my children's social/emotional growth but health more. I am worried about lack of a/c in school. I am very concerned about protocols when a student, teacher, or one of their family members gets covid and how the schools will adapt and inform.  |
| I'm very comfortable with my children going to school and they need to go.  |

An elearning scenario or part time in person learning is difficult for families that have 2 working parents. We think consideration needs to be thought of for this scenario.

I am really concerned about my daughter wearing a mask for several hours a day. This is of course if she does it. She only had to wear a mask on few occasions so far, and every time she complained about not being able to breath and her ears hurting. She kept touching her face, adjusing it constantly. I feel like it's counter productive . Also she has a tendency to lose stuff, I cannot afford to supply countless masks each week.

No to the social part of

School, expecting a 6 year old not to be able to play with peers seems not only unreasonable but somewhat cruel. She has cried so much each time we had a kindergarten zoom meeting because she was not able to see her friends or her teacher.

If it comes to the bus service, we need it , we won't be able to get her to school without it. I have no prospects for childcare, and I have three other children at home , all of them under 5.

I have 3 children going to 3 different school and both parents work full time. It is NOT an option to not have bus service, unless someone wants to pay my bills and insurance.

Except for classes that require a laboratory, classes can be held on line. Home school programs have been doing it successfully for many years.

I am concerned about parents that give their child Tylenol before school. Also, the number of parents that have told us they do not own a thermometer.

Children need to have in school instruction. The children need to go back to school! The district, however, can come up with different alternatives to wearing mask ALL day long!

In finalizing the plan, please be cognizant of putting teachers in a position to succeed. Allow them to focus their energies on instruction. Please do not ask them to teach both in-person and remotely simultaneously. Students who have the full attention of their teachers, even if it is for a half-day rather than a full day, will benefit.

If the district decides in-person instruction with masks and social distancing is the way to go, I would be uncomfortable sending my children into the classroom. Masks and distancing is counter intuitive to basic learning as it prohibits thorough communication and undermines the principals of the social emotional aspects that the classroom environment is there to provide. My children will not keep a mask on for a quick trip to the grocery store or doctor's office; it is infeasible to ask them to wear a mask all day at school. They also fidget with the mask the entire time they are wearing it, increasing the amount of face touching, which leads to a greater spread of germs. For those reasons, I am in full favor for full-time remote learning until masks are no longer a requirement.

I feel strongly that the kids should go back to school. In person instruction is vital to their education and social emotional skills. I feel with face mask and proper cleaning it is safe for students to return to school.

I can't imagine how hard it is to figure out what to do. You have my support. We will get through this together.

Masks must be required and enforced or my children will not be going to school. I would favor complete remote learning to any option that does not involve masks 100% of the time or involves having to eat lunch at school. I do not think children should eat lunch at school due to personal hygiene and disease communicability concerns associated with inability to wear a mask during meals. Ultimately, I think parents should have a choice between 2 formats as this is a very fluid issue with varying individual needs and opinions, which also unfortunately have political ties as well.

My son wants to go back, and wear a mask - he misses staff and peers. We want everyone to be safe and healthy - including staff! Our main concerns are the crowded hallways/locker areas and changing classes/sharing desk areas. We are also concerned about others refusing to wear masks or taking them off. We would like to see classes remain in place and teachers move rooms. We don't see how encores are possible - especially band. Is it possible to have band online like this spring or outside weather permitting? I feel half days without lunch/encores would be a great option. Thank you for sending these surveys out and taking our opinions into consideration. And thank you for everything. Stay safe!!

There's too many logistical issues to get past to do any of this safely and /or effectively. You'll need so many extra hands to take temps, clean, disinfect. Not to mention Bussing, good luck with that and who will pay for all the cleaning? Maybe offer some form of childcare where the kids can attend school remotely. I'd be happy to volunteer to help plan for this upcoming year.. have a good amount of process design work under my belt. XXXXXX

I feel that having a child wear a face mask for hours and having them not touch another student will not likely to happen. How are they going to eat lunch without being 6 feet away from another student? Even in a grown-up setting I see lots of places not able to follow 6 feet apart wearing masks properly and or keeping them on how do you think you would manage with 300+ students in a building not likely

thank you for all the work you all are doing to keep students, faculty, administrators, paraprofessionals, building staff and families safe.

Thank you so much to asking us parents about all that,because we are really hoping our kids can go back to school,with no masks on, because it's so unhealthy for them,there brain doesn't get oxygen enough and they still growing up and developing,and studying.We are really hoping our kids can leave their school life with health and freedom. Thank you again,it's mean a lot for many parents.

Regarding remote learning:

I would like to see the schools create cohorts based by family (rather than grade) to create socialization/in person meetings -- if parents want to "opt in". For instance, my 2nd and 4th grader could meet up with 3 other families to play kickball for PE on Tuesdays at 10am at Lippold Park, or every other Thursday at 1pm, we go to Veterans Acres to paint nature scenes for Art. I am absolutely not suggesting the school sets up play dates! But if we could find a structured way to interact with others (specifically a known, controlled group who socially distances, etc.), I think that would fantastic for the students. I don't know if the teachers would be keen on doing small reading groups once a week with ~5 kids, having everyone meet at a park, bring a chair and a book, and discuss.

Regarding AM/PM or alternating days:

Please do this by family, not by grade. As I think to the future (maybe 2nd trimester?!), if my children transition back to school, I really don't want one child going at 9am and the other child going at 12pm and the inevitable arguments that will occur because someone has the better time slot.

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| I hope the district takes into consideration the safety of our children, the staff, and families at home above and beyond any desire to open for political or economic reasons. We strongly feel that the requirement of masks is essential but full day instruction is too long of a time for kids to wear masks. We hope you consider shorter time frames to deliver daily in person instruction.   |
| I'm eligible for busing and would prefer it but I am willing to drive my child to/from school.  |
| I am on the fence between using remote learning, or just homeschooling on our own.  |
| Husmann MUST have AC in each classroom in order for children and staff to SAFELY return to school in the fall. That is my only objection to masks.  |
| Most face masks are difficult to breathe in. This will be a huge health risk for kids if they need to wear them for an extended periods of time.  |
| I appreciate all the efforts being made. We may NOT use transportation but would like the option available to us.   |
| I feel that it is going to be very hard to social distance kids. Kids are going to play and share supplies. I have a high risk child and concerned, also I am all about wearing mask but he has glasses and it makes it difficult as they fog up on him and I feel like it is going to be very difficult for kids to keep a mask on all day long at school.   |
| I would prefer at least half day instruction. I have a very flexible schedule and can make anything work and can provide day care for my kids. I think masks all day would be tough which is why I might prefer half day but I definitely want face-to-face instruction with teachers for a portion of the day. Ty!!  |
| Not sure what any scenario means regarding ET. We don't use the bus now but use ET. If no ET might need the bus.  |
| Mi hijo de XXXXXX si ocupa autobús pero estamos mirando cómo acomodarnos para q lo podamos llevar y recoger   |
| I do not prefer my kids wearing masks all day. I have followed research on kids and coronavirus that determined kids are unlikely to spread coronavirus and typically have no symptoms and few have mild symptoms. I have also watched the press conferences this week confirming this.   |
| The face masks seem to be very unrealistic with my 7 year old. He is very uncomfortable wearing it and would prefer not to.   |
| Thank you for your continued work to find viable ways to meet the needs of students, staff and parents.   |
| So many of these kids will suffer if in person schooling with full-day everyday is not extended. The science simply doesn't back and justify even the very conversation of limiting schooling. Extremely frustrating.   |
| At this point, I provided answers from the options provided but I am still not 100% sure of any of this. I  |
| We would feel comfortable with a more interactive eLearning school this coming fall. Inperson learning sounds very risky and not realistic. Kids will not be able to keep 6 ft distance along with keeping their face masks on. A lot of families don't take social distancing and face covering seriously... We really wouldn't want our kids going to school in person knowing there could be a risk of them catching something from someone. |
| We are still on the fence as to in school or remote learning. But we had to pick one.   |
| These answers are based upon mom returning to work and dad still working from home. If dad is required back at the office (though we are pretty confident he will be home through D47 first trimester) than our answers may change.   |

To repeat my first comment:

We have a high risk elderly person, a high risk child and a high risk parent, in our household. We do not believe, given the current guidelines and data, that our children can be prevented from catching Covid19 through the proposed measures. We will not send our children in-person this fall. If the district does not plan to offer 100% remote, we will need to know, as it our interpretation that this is required by IL guidelines for high risk families. A school voucher should at minimum be offered to defer the cost of privately purchased materials and instruction. We need notification ASAP as to the school districts plans. I do believe remote learning should be a shortened day, because it can be difficult to focus for prolonged periods remotely. I believe small groups are important for the teacher to assess students and student to ask questions. I believe 1 on 1 should be planned as well (not daily of course. But perhaps 1x per week. This builds a connection with the teacher. I believe live classrooms, same platforms for each child, and social options ( like drop in lunch groups) would all be appreciated.

A schedule that is the same for every age will help the parents with morning prep, lunch, etc.

Remote learning is the safest at this time for the safety of all. My child is at high risk but even if the child attending school is not high risk there could be individuals in there homes that might be. The numbers are still rising, wearing a mask for that extended period of time is unhealthy, transportation is a high concern, and kids are kids they do not all recognize the magnitude of the situation. Putting that many people in one building is trouble waiting. Education is extremely important but with out health there's nothing. Health is everything. Thank you

I feel that the children do not benefit from remote learning. My daughter need OT and you can't replace that with remote learning. My children are both in day camp now and are doing fine with the face masks. I have spoken with a lot of parents who told me they only did the bare minimum with remote learning last time.

At this time we have already decided to home school Matthew for 2nd grade, with hopes of a better (normal) 2021-2022 school year.

when asking my children what they want knowing they have to wear masks and they both want to go back

My husband and I strongly agree that children need to be in school. It's very important that they socialize and are around peers. The suicide rate is way too high and some children need the safety of school. Science has shown that the likelihood of kids giving covid to each other and adults is very low. It's important we take care of these kids and school is where they need to be.

Bus transportation is not needed for our family. Our son goes to Wehde and will strongly benefit from in person learning and we have been prepping our son with a face mask.

I appreciate all the work you are putting into this situation.

We are so happy that masks are required, as is our daughter, who understands how Covid is spread. We are lucky enough to be able to provide our own transportation. Please note, our daughter has never had a teacher that was anything less than wonderful. The teachers safety is very much on our minds and we support the school and the safety of the staff as well as the students!!!

I understand and appreciate how you are involving the community and I don't envy the work you have to do. Schools are the key role in a community And your direction impacts everything else. That said - I do want to caveat my answers that while I prefer in-school option, additional factors, not outlined here will factor into my decision for my children. Protocols, day structure, remote learning plans and the COVID numbers and learnings between now and then. Best-

My main concern is the well being of my children. With the current spike in cases and no known treatment or cure I am just not comfortable with sending them to school. As you know kids get sick quite often and germs spread like wildfire between the children. parents send their sick kids to school.

Will the schools consider daily temperature checks Before children are allowed in their classrooms?

I expect smaller class room sizes and better remote learning in between.

As of now I can handle transportation but that could change due to per work requirement

I expects 6 feet distancing

I'd like to hear more about what happens if a case appears in the school.

I'd like the school to have a syllabus for remote learning each week and use a user friendly well design system for communication to help parents plan wfh and remote learning

50 children should oh fit be in the same room. Don't you understand some parents will loose income if a class room goes into lockdown and the chances increases with larger class sizes.

What the plan for family's with multiple kids can classes be coordinated to same schedule?

What if a family meme er has a fever how would a sibling that doesn't have a fever continue to learn.

Will each child have 2 teacher that work together? One that helps with remote learning and another in person? That way if a child has to be remote due to precautions there's support for when that child can't be in the class room?

How are teacher going to handle in persons and remote learning?

Please be respectful that not all families have a parent at home with out working. I wfh so far but My days can be unpredictable it hard being full time worker and teacher

At this time I have no reservations about my children riding the bus or attending in person education 5 days a week

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| <p>My son is enrolled in ET in the morning but needs bus transportation in the afternoon. I am a teacher and my husband is a police officer, and neither of us have the option of working remotely in order to be able to care for our son. Our son also doesn't need childcare in the summer so we do not have a childcare provider for him already. It will be very difficult for us to be able to do hybrid learning days, and it is causing some anxiety as we do not know how we will be able to do that (childcare as well as transportation if partial days). Will there be any provisions made and/or assistance from the district if a hybrid model is adopted?</p> |
| <p>I work as a Paraprofessional in district 47. I do not know what the high school plan is this year yet. If the same schedule is followed &amp; my older children are home, I will not need daycare. Of they aren't, something will need to be figured out for our circumstances</p>  |
| <p>I think children are sociable creatures and do best with in person learning ,but these are unique times. Regardless of what you do, schools will probably be all remote again in a few months. With that in mind, I would love to see the kids back in school for even a short amount of time however that looks.</p>   |
| <p>Our son has an IEP AND ABSOLUTELY NEEDS THE STRUCTURE AND SOCIAL EMOTIONAL learning that the district provides. Our daughter does not. All children do...my apologies, but my son especially needs school on a full time basis at school. My daughter does not.</p>   |
| <p>I would love for my daughter to return to school normally. Of course, without any masks because they are not healthy for anyone. If the masks are mandatory I know that I would leave my child for homeschooling not e-learning but she is asking me to go back to school. This is the only reason why I am not yet determined and I hope that finally someone will make a wise decision and we will be able to make the decision ourselves whether we want our child to wear a mask or not. And big YES for school buses</p>   |
| <p>Although I selected in-person, I go back and forth between that and remote learning daily. My son has speech issues and I worry about him being understood in a mask. I am very on the fence about everything and will probably make a game-time decision based on updated information on options.</p>  |
| <p>I understand and am comfortable that face masks on the bus are required.</p>  |
| <p>I do not have confidence that the children will be able to safely wear a mask and social distance to be able to control the virus spreading. A lot of adults can't handle it, so to ask a 12 year to do this seems a stretch.</p>   |
| <p>My daughter will be a 6th grader and has a 504 because of ADHD. She needs the structure of a classroom. Remote learning was a challenge for her in 5th grade and I feel like she will fall behind if she does not have structured instruction. My husband and I both work during the day so if remote learning was the only option then we would have to pay someone to be home with her to help her with her school work which will put a financial strain on us.</p>  |
| <p>If students attend in-person classes either half days or 2-3 days per week, please have children from the same family on the same schedule if at all possible.</p>  |
| <p>We support D47 no matter what. We trust you.</p>  |
| <p>Please, our family and hundreds of other families, are begging the district to recognize the total health, physical and mental, of our children. Get them back into school immediately!</p>   |
| <p>I think it would be alot to ask the young (kindergarten-3rd grade) to wear a mask all day.</p>  |
| <p>Daily Disinfected/ cleaning is a concern, will that happen<br/> Can you put kids 6 ft apart? Suggestion lunch and gym should not be part of day. If split days is an option definitely no gym and lunch.<br/> Keep in mind kids with food allergies-no eating in room for any situation</p>   |

My kids cannot wear a mask for more than a few minutes at a time.

I know for a fact that many parents of children at our school are not taking the virus seriously. Playdates, gatherings, no masks... I will not feel comfortable sending my children to school, physically. Additionally, because our children understand our family's personal hurdles, being in school would negatively affect their emotional well being. They know they would be putting their mom at risk. Not to mention, themselves. I am sympathetic to the parents who rely on school for childcare but I hope we will be given the option to e-learn. I was happy with e-learning as it stood in the spring. I appreciated the efforts of our teachers and district and I imagine it will only be better this fall. Please. Please, do not ask us to put our children, teachers and our lives at risk.

We feel the 1/2 day everyday option is great and then sanitize everything in the afternoon. We would also feel bathroom and cafeteria protocol needs to be very strict.

Given the risks involved with children either becoming ill or bringing it home to the family and extended family who have significant risks, returning to in-person instruction is highly concerning to us right now.

We need to wait and see how the reopening of Illinois plays out. I believe we are in for a huge jump in numbers of infected people. I still suggest late September start and remote learning to protect our children.

Kids need to be with other kids and allowed to socialize and play games both outside and inside. Masks should be required if around other kids and less than minimal distance. There should be breaks allowed to kids to remove them and breathe freely during the day otherwise I expect lawsuits to occur for health inflictions resulting from long time exposure.

I am very much on the fence about the best way to resume school in the fall. A big part of me wants my kids to be able to be back in school full time, but with all of the guidelines/requirements/etc., I just don't see how they will be able to learn effectively. I can barely stand to wear a mask for an hour at the store...how can I ask & expect my 1st, 4th & 5th graders to wear one all.day.long? I'm also concerned for the teachers who we are asking to put their health at risk by coming into a school with kids from all over, not knowing who may or may not be a carrier or have come into contact with someone who has Covid, etc. My parents are also in the high risk group for Covid, so I have to consider them and being able to see them and help them during this pandemic as well. I would have an even greater amount of anxiety about taking my kids to see their grandparents if they were in school full time, even with the mask requirement. As much as it might be inconvenient for me to have to monitor remote learning again in the fall, I feel like I prefer that option to putting my kids, their teachers and my extended family at greater risk. There is just too much that is still unknown and changing about this virus and that makes me nervous.

My child has an IEP and I'm very concerned about his goals being met. One of my main concerns is his goals for speech and I think we need to come up with out of the box ideas to have them met.

If masks are mandated on the bus, I would consider finding a different source of transportation...

What will the protocols be for the children who do not wear masks or take them off during a bus ride or during school? If a student tests positive for COVID, does the entire class or bus route get 14 days off? Any plan can be made but it is what is going to happen during the school days that is the most important. I would hope that the district will have these extremely possible scenarios discussed and get those rules and regulations out to parents sooner rather than later. It may change a few minds as to how they may proceed with their choices.

Please consider the fact that my child needs speech therapy and it is essential for him to receive the full services he is eligible for while being in school 5 days a week. Also, please be aware of the consequences behind wearing a mask all day. Research is finding that wearing our mask for long periods of time can also get us sick. For instance, when we breathe out carbon dioxide and inhale it back in, it is especially poisonous to our bodies and get sick. I do not feel comfortable for my children to wear their mask all day while in school.

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| My daughter does not thrive in a learning from home environment as there are too many distractions no matter what we do.   |
| I don't understand the risk exposure difference between in-person (full-day) or a rotation schedule of half days? It seems this doesn't reduce or prohibit scenarios of exposure, the staff, students and faculty are being still being exposed. To me this seems all in-person or full remote are really the only two options.  |
| The district needs to work on a solidified direction to provide to parents as soon as possible. You can survey parents over and over but what is apparently clear from watching last night's board meeting, everything is still up in the air. Parents need direction and the ability to plan ahead for whatever actions the district takes, the sooner the better because it appears we are still testing the waters to all scenarios.  |
| We also need detailed assurances to what remote learning would look like. It is easy to understand what in-person education is like but to make an informed or an experienced decision from the last three months of "e-learning" we received last year, I would imagine most parents would be forced to send their children to in-person learning vs. e-learning just due to the structure, accountability and goals that were not accomplished in that delivered format.                                       |
| I am on board with splitting the classroom time<br>Between each class as to better distance kids and provide in person teaching for those that need it. But, safety for students and STAFF is very important! Please do what's safest and best for all.. this virus is not gone  |
| Our family who has no immune compromised person and is willing to enforce safety guidelines such as masks will not be satisfied unless full time in person instruction returns as we see it has had too much negative effect on our children learning and emotional social being   |
| I feel like schools should open for families that can't work from home and can't afford daycare/child care, and offer e-learning for the ones that want it.  |
| Hopefully no masks   |
| I really would like my children to not have to wear a mask at school.  |
| One of my concerns is having both of my children in a building without air conditioning. While I am completely in favor of mask wearing, I believe it will be difficult in these buildings with going back in August.  |
| Kids need to learn in school. Especially in groups which kids learn the best. I'm also against mandatory mask in school. Maybe school should get uv lights installed in ceilings of all rooms. That will cover 90% of room and kill 99 % of all germs including covid 19. Maybe kids dont share supplies.  |
| Kids need normalcy.. I am a single mom and without school I can't work due to no childcare. I literally will<br>Be homeless as I will have no way to pay bills. They need to go back 5 days a week, or at the very worst M-TH..  |
| My son with special needs will have a next to impossible time adhering to wearing a mask to no fault of his own . He needs in person instruction. Remote learning will not be an option for him. We cannot discriminate Educational opportunities for our most vulnerable population . Also , very young children will have a difficult time adhering to wearing a mask . I do think we should try but the young children cannot be penalized for a difficult expectation that's not necessarily age appropriate |
| My decision will be fully decided after I have a better idea of what the transportation and school guidelines will be. At this time I want him to return to school but am uncertain based on what the safety will be. I have an elder family member who provides daycare and is uncertain on continuing that due to her safety if in school resumes.   |

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| Thank you for allowing me to be part of this survey. I feel very much validated.   |
| I still think masks will be somewhat of an issue since my kids have horrible allergies and will have difficulty breathing at times.  |
| I believe remote learning will hold many kick back on learning. And will cause many parents to lose their job due to kids having to learn from home. Think 100% worth the risk to have kids in school. Even more without mandatory mask.   |
| I can drive my child to school   |
| Will drop off child  |
| The health and safety need to be considered of all. Losing even one student or teacher due to starting school in person at this time is unacceptable. We have had students and teacher pass mid year and THAT would be devastating to their social emotional development, especially if they feel responsible.       |
| All of the options impact our jobs. Once a plan is known, we will make necessary changes to our schedules to keep our son as safe as possible.   |
| I have 2 students in the district. If we would happen to go to face to face teaching for half a day would my kids be going to school the same half of the day? So that they would be on the same schedule? I have one in Middle School and one in Elementary.  |
| At the middle school level with my child stay with the same kids all day and teachers would rotate classrooms. There would be less kids in the hallway and less mixing of students that way?   |
| My family can get our children there in the morning. The problem is after school. If there was a way to keep my kids at school a little bit longer, I could pick them up. We are currently enrolled in the extended time program for three days a week only with the intentions of ending extended time in November. |
| We will most likely utilize the bus but if needed we can and will drive him.   |
| We are fortunate to be able to take the bus or drive our kids.   |
| Please install motion sensed faucets in the bathrooms<br>Especially in the kindergarten bathrooms  |
| It's the only option   |
| If needed, I can provide transportation to/from school. Bus service availability is not a requirement for our family to attend school.   |
| My son would take the bus but I would be willing to drive him if there was an earlier alternative to dropping off prior to 8:30 due to my daughter being at Coventry and my son at Glacier Ridge   |
| My kids love riding the bus, but our bus was LATE a lot last year and CROWDED. I am able to drive them and I am thinking that might be best for their health.  |
| I would be willing to drive my children. However, my biggest concern is that I will have kids in all three school. 2 in D47 and one in D155. That makes driving all three (2 with similar start times difficult.)  |

Bus needs would be contingent on school schedule. My child may or may not need bus transportation based on school start or end time. He would need transportation if current hours continued. I'm very concerned about him being on the bus with no social distance in place. Parents have jobs to get to as I do and are being forced to place their children in hazardous conditions in order to provide for their families.

A bus is necessary for my child to attend school.

I think that we may need to look at more than just one option for in person learning. Elementary and middle schools are conducted very differently and may need to be looked at separately. I am also concerned about the lack of AC at LMS; let's get creative and keep those in the buildings cool. Also, the state may need to back off on attendance a bit; if we keep kids home because they exhibit symptoms they may miss more school!

Due to my husband's job starting very early in the morning, and me being a teacher in the district, I cannot drop off nor pick up my children before and after school.

Early childhood buses are not a concern for me.

We are currently both working from home, however, we could at some point be asked to return to the office. This would change our situation and require child care. This could also affect our ability to not need district transportation.

I am an Epidemiologist and schools can safely reopen with appropriate infection control precautions in place. If other parents feel differently, it should not drive the ultimate decision. It is insane to believe that remote learning is effective or that parents can accommodate this.

Safety is of the utmost importance. I think it is critical the children wear mask. Outside instruction should be considered if at all possible and opening windows to circulate fresh outside air unless ventilation systems are per appropriate standards. An understanding of what would happen if a student comes down with COVID for all students in that class/building would be important as well. If hybrid or full online instruction is being considered, communication of the schedule ASAP is appreciated for us working parents. Thanks

We plan on it but could transport our middle schoolers if needed. Grade schooler is a walker.

Same comment as for my older daughter, my girls will not be on the same bus; therefore sitting with others and social distancing cannot be maintained on a bus.

My responses to these answers could change as the COVID19 cases begin to spike.

Unsure if we will send our youngest child to Wehde this year. His only delay is in speech. I may consider alternate therapy for him. I feel comfortable sending my other 3 children to North

Some of the schools do not have air conditioning. Hussman being one of them. I feel window units should be provided as it will be even hotter with a mask on. Thank you!

I'm indecisive about using the transportation. I'm hoping to figure out an alternative prior to school starting but will use it if I have to.

I just tried to submit a long statement and got bumped to the beginning... I will try to redo my thoughts here.

- Your form does not allow for varied feelings for kids in K/4/8. My 8 and 4 want in person. Sadly, I'm very unsure about our entering K.
- I was very concerned about your board member who seemed to say 50 children in a space, regardless of distance, is fine. If that is the plan, we are NOT interested. That was a horrible interpretation of our current situation, and completely disregarded the safety of our children and faculty.
- I would hope the half day scenario, with distance in the classroom accounted for, might mean smaller class sizes that could actually improve the education by providing individualized attention. This would also make teacher's "distance policing" easier.
- Self certification by parents sounds ineffective. Too many parents send their kids on Motrin to school.
- What happens when there is a case? This will happen. What then?
- What happens if a child, family member, teacher or staff member gets gravely ill? Is it worth the risk?
- Will teachers be properly protected? Will they have N95 masks like doctors and nurses do to protect them?
- What if a child's family has a fever, but the child is fever free?
- What if a child has gone to a state that is high risk, and returns to the classroom?
- Is there a plan to test teachers routinely as they do healthcare workers?

Finally, I feel as though we are put in a position of choosing if our child returns to school (something my older children desperately want) or "missing out" as friends go back and staying home (it feels kind of like choosing between Full Day and half day Kindy was). I don't envy the choices you are making, and I don't like the ones we will be forced to make either. I did like the board member who suggested the alternative of 100% e-learning with the ability to pop in and use school in smaller doses... please explore that. There is something to be said for everyone being on the same plan, nobody being left out, and the ability to above all, stay as SAFE as possible.

To help limit my child being on the bus, he will only be taking it home, but most likely will be dropped off daily.

Parents are working from home. Taking time to drive to and pick up from school impacts our ability to work effectively day to day. We NEED to get back to normal for these kids. A bus to and from school is a must. Masks requirement is appropriate and reasonable for those taking transportation. Aside from this if everyone had to drive to school the traffic impact would be HUGE!!!

I am uncomfortable with the 2-3 day on/off scenario, as when children are off and need childcare, they will be going to daycares and other camps and intermingling with even more children. The more we can restrict how many children they have to come in contact with the better. That option is the least desirable.

Eligible but do not use.

In the beginning of the school year the kids always get sick normally. Masks are going to be really hard for kids to adhere to properly. I'm not comfortable sending my kids to school with a greater than normal chance of getting sick. What happens when you start having kids get sick with colds, sore throats or even Covid. Is the school going to close again? I think it's better to hold off a little longer so we can avoid prolonging this into next year.

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| <p>my husband had a heart attack on 6/1 and had quadruple bypass with a mechanical valve re-replacement. That would be my primary reason for favoring remote learning at this time.</p> <p>Second, I'm of the opinion that those of us that can participate in remote learning (are able to be home with our students) would have that option as it isn't going to be a positive experience to attend school and have most of your face covered. I realize it's for the right reasons but I know my student would be very stressed by this.</p> <p>I hope this all passes very quickly and we can return to normal education experiences for everyone.</p> <p>We appreciate LMS and all of the challenges you've taken head on and done a phenomenal job this last semester!</p> <p>Thank you!</p> <p>We pray for our schools daily and support each of you!</p>  |
| <p>I think we can make arrangements so that they do not need to ride the bus.</p>   |
| <p>We would be driving our daughter. We appreciate your efforts and the difficulty!</p>   |
| <p>This first trimester is the perfect opportunity for children to learn basic concepts and manners. For example, cover your mouth when coughing/sneezing (Pardon me and bless you), washing hands frequently (daily hygiene), social distancing (private space). This pandemic needs to be spun into a positive anyway possible. Our children need to be in school. Or, do we need to call it "in person learning"? I understand the reality of this situation, but it's time to move forward. Thank you,XXXXXX</p>  |
| <p>Possibly....I may end up driving my middle school child to limit exposure to others</p>  |
| <p>I feel if students do an A/B schedule it would limit their contact with others to help reduce the amount of contact to spread the disease. It would also help with cleaning of the schools. I feel that a half-day option would be difficult to schedule (especially in middle school) &amp; would be hard to sanitize classrooms in between.</p>  |
| <p>At this time we will need bussing for the afternoon, we hope to find a solution so our daughter will not need to use the bus at all.</p>   |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Do masks need to be worn if social distancing is in place? For example, if desks are placed 6 ft apart, could masks be removed during seated time?</li><li>2. Recess and social interaction can still be in place if you stagger recess by grade and/or class. For example - first grade recess 9 am, second grade 9:30, etc. while different- this seems doable.</li><li>3. I feel very strongly about my children receiving in person instruction- especially my kindergarten child. While I get things have to be different, I think we can get creative to maximize social distancing in the school — eating lunch in the classroom, staggered recess, exiting for buses from class rather than bus lines, group children by academic level to avoid station work and teach to larger groups as a whole - where kids can be socially distanced, implement zero tolerance on illness. If child or teacher shows symptoms of illness (even just a cough) must provide negative COVID test to return to school.</li></ol> |
| <p>While my kids were "successful" with distanced learning, I feel much longer will put them behind academically. I have big concerns about my kindergartener getting the right level of instruction through distance learning. My husband and I are also working parents, so distance learning is very impactful to our careers.</p>   |
| <p>My work schedule makes it possible for me to drop off my child at school instead of having to take a bus</p>   |

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| One of my children will not be able to wear a mask due to a medical diagnosis yet needs to be in school. His doctor will be providing a letter.  |
| My student can get a ride to school but home is an issue especially if there are half days and students cannot have space on a ride home since middle ends so early.   |
| IF possible would like them to take bus but we would be able to transport.   |
| I am able to drive my child to school.   |
| <p>I am worried about the social distancing on the bus. I work in the district and would try to drive my daughter to be extra cautious but that doesn't always work out. I like to get to school early but I would reevaluate this means of transportation. My husband and I would try and drive her and only use the bus for emergencies.</p> <p>I teach 1/2 multiage and am very worried about my students, especially the ones with sensory processing and autism, messing with their masks all day. I just wish the shields were an option for both the teacher and students.</p> <p>I, myself, have a hard time talking and breathing in a mask for just an hour when grocery shopping and am really worried about my students for LONG periods of time. I don't see them wearing masks for over a few hours a day. I know it's a learning curve for all of us. However; I want to be protected and want them to be protected, too. I understand the importance of the mask and would have it no other way.</p> <p>My husband has a kidney problem and I am scared that he could be at risk if I got COVID-19 and brought it home. We have been very cautious and extremely mindful of social distancing.</p> <p>I appreciate all the time and effort the district is spending coming up with the best scenario to keep both our staff and students safe. Thank you for ALL that you are doing to protect our community. I am grateful. I know you have our best interest at hand. I trust you and the board 100%. Thank you.</p> |
| All 3 of my girls attend Husmann & ride the bus. I would not not opposed to them sitting together if need be.  |
| Se que se pueden hacer algunos ajustes en cuanto al transporte escolar. Yo misma soy bus driver y el distrito escolar para el q trabajo está haciendo esos ajustes Necesarios para ajustar las rutas escolares. Así que esa es una preocupación para nosotros pues de otra manera no podría asistir a la escuela en persona. Ambos padres trabajamos full time.  |
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| I would be providing transportation to and from school for at least the first trimester of the school year and then resume bus transport when wearing a mask is no longer a necessity.   |
| we have paid for my Jr High student to ride the bus, as we are just under a mile away and I didn't have a way to get my son home. Since I am now working from home, I do believe I can pick him up or make arrangements for him to be picked up  |
| We are fortunate to be able to drive our child to school to make room for other students if needed. Also, our first choice is partial week of in school but we are also okay with full week of school and all home elearning. We are very flexible.  |
| I think that social distancing kindergarten students is not feasible and I also think that young kids with mask is unsanitary and will cause more problems seeing as they will sneeze outside of their mask, pull it down, break their mask, they cause asthmatic problems for those who already suffer when in for long periods of time and it's much more feasible to have the kids wash their hands and be kids, learn to keep a clean space and not be scared from their first year at school  |

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| Busing would need to be improved for my child to ride the bus. I heard many stories of over crowding and children sitting on the floor of the bus last year, this is not acceptable even in non-Covid times. Middle school aged children do not fit three per seat, especially with band instruments. I would utilize the bus if my child wasn't required to sit with another student, one per seat with mask on is acceptable.  |
| unsure about childcare and bus transportation needs- depends on what days school would be held of the 2-3/days per week. I work wed/fri, some tuesdays- so a mon/wed/fri school week is preferred.   |
| Unsure on how to manage transportation at this time  |
| My son is enrolled in a summer program at a local daycare, and he wears a mask all day with no problem. They take off their masks to eat and during outside play time.   |
| My elementary school children would not need the bus but my middle school student may need bus transportation to LMS!  |
| I am eligible for bussing but have not used in the past and do not intend to for the next school year. Not related to Covid 19   |
| With the altered schedule is going on, I am begging that district 47 aligne their calendar with District 155. I will have kids in both.  |
| Thank you for the survey!  |
| Our family is torn between remote and in person learning.<br><br>We do have high risk family members in our household, the kids prefer e learning (even through we struggled at the tail end of the year) - they are very resistant to the masks (hurts their ears, but I do think they would adjust and do see the value in returning to in-person in the fall)<br><br>Homeschooling is being considered, but, we are a household with 2 working parents, so this may be a challenge as well. |
| I have some degree of flexibility in regards to transportation (can drive if needed). Concerns with lack of social distancing on the bus.  |
| If Face masks are mandatory, it is most likely my child will not attend as I believe they pose more harm than good   |
| I don't feel wearing a mask is that difficult. Wear it on the bus ride, once at school slip it down take a breath of outside air, and slip it back on. The in person instruction and bus transportation is more important to me than not having to wear a mask. We will wear them.   |
| I have no choice but to use busses, as that is her only way to get to school.  |
| We can do this! It may not be comfortable all the time but they will suprise us with their adaptability.   |
| I answered only remote learning for a question because there wasn't a partial in-person instruction/ partial remote learning. I would like, if safe to do so, have that. A half in person and half remote learning first part of the school year.  |
| I am perfectly fine with my children on the bus with a mask. it's the classroom I do not want my children having to wear a mask all day. If it is required for my children then I will be homeschooling.   |
| My kids need to be in school. Remote learning was ineffective.   |
| I marked 'yes' but honestly don't know at this point in time. My child says he's fine riding the bus, but this is not something we have discussed as a family yet. Should we decide for him not to take the bus, we can provide our own transportation to school every day   |

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| E learning should be available for all students. I currently have covid and this virus has damaged my lungs i can't imagine recovering and getting re infected again. We all know that schools are a hot spot for outbreaks. If my children have to go back to in person learning it will be inevitable for me getting infected again. Please consider to give us the chance to do e learning until a vaccine is developed for the safety of our children and us suceptible people. Thanks.  |
| We may have times we need to use it, but will keep them off the bus as much as possible  |
| I am most interested in decisions related to lunch and free/unstructured play time. Ie not needing to eat at the same desk a child's been at all day, and getting physical activity.   |
| If exposure is the risk, 1/2 day or 2-3 days per week with all the same kids is the same exposure than all day. I'm in favor of full day for this reason and our kids need the in person interaction with students, teachers and we as parents need to work. This is potentially disastrous financially.   |
| Face masks are frightening and not good for children's oxygen. Kids have a hard time keeping them on. School acts as a child care provider while parents work and not having in person instruction without children required to wear a mask may significantly reduce family income/ability to work. The remote learning was awful, too many apps to log into for multiple children, and way too much screen time. If full remote learning is required there needs to be more on paper learning.  |
| Bus transportation will be needed only for school to home. We can get our three daughters to school.   |
| I am not 100% decided on this one yet - we may drive our kids to school instead  |
| Safety is a concern but Im sure its doable with plastic barriers and sanitation  |
| Our household prefers to continue on with e-learning remote learning until the CO-VID 19 situation is more under control (vaccinations are available and proven safe and effective). Until then we cannot see even with all the safety precautions taken how physically returning back to schools would not end up being a high risk source of transmitting the virus to school staff, kids, families of the students then to where it becomes a chain reaction. We are uncomfortable with the physical returning back to schools until the virus is better controlled and treated, but will likely send kids back if that is the decision made. |
| My preference is for my kids to attend full in person instruction. My concern is that my kids go to Husmann without air conditioning and I think there will be big problems/issues with kids wearing masks all day in those conditions. There are already issues when masks are not required. That being said, is the district doing anything to install window AC units at the bare minimum? There has been plenty of time to plan for this and I really hope there is a plan in place for the non air conditioned schools. Parents are told every year by staff to call and complain about the lack of AC...and that was pre-pandemic.         |
| If remote learning is in place please make the work equal to what would be done in the class and grade accordingly. Also make zooms mandatory and have actual teaching not just the handing out of assignments.  |
| I would be available to drop my kids off at school daily but would need transportation after school a few days a week  |
| They need to be back in school learning with safety in mind m!   |
| Thank you for gathering our feedback.  |

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| <p>Please consider doing live zoom classrooms for the school days. Parents should not be responsible for teaching the kids. There is no reason a teacher can't be in the classroom with a live feed so kids at home can participate. If your doing remote then a live feed classroom for 4-5 hours a day would constitute a classroom situation. We need to have structure for the kids and teachers are paid to teach not set up lesson plans to dump on parents. Kids can be on a chrome book and be part of a classroom. Parents can arrange to pick up hard copies of materials the Friday before the next week and turn in assignments as needed. All teachers need to be on the same learning platform as well. I had 3 kids all on different ones. Make it uniform</p> |
| <p>I know these are difficult times with difficult decisions to be made, but our family agrees with and supports the guidelines of the American Academy of Pediatrics, published the end of June, in which they strongly advocate the goal of having students physically present in the school building for the 2020/2021 school year for many social, emotional and academic reasons.</p>  |
| <p>Would prefer a later start for in person learning.</p>   |
| <p>If it is select days being able to select days would be beneficial as daycare is not available to me everyday.</p>   |
| <p>My child will not ride the bus, if face masks are required.</p>  |
| <p>Although I would be more comfortable with remote learning for the 1st trimester, if Coventry decides to do in-person classes, I will still enroll my kids into Coventry and emphasize to them the importance of following the regulations that Coventry will put in place to keep them safe and healthy.</p>   |
| <p>My child need in person to bounce back from Spring</p>   |
| <p>Daycare and bus transportation needs will be required in some capacity depending on the return to school plan. I currently work from home due to the pandemic but am expected to return to my office in September. My husband is an essential work and currently working full time.</p>  |
| <p>We do not need bus transportation</p>  |
| <p>We are lucky enough to be able to drive our student to school and pick her up after school</p>   |
| <p>We are eligible for bus service but do not use it.</p>   |
| <p>Overall I would like to thank D47 for their thoughtful engagement of community members!<br/>My concern is the parent self reporting of symptoms that was discussed at the board meeting. I am currently the principal of a school in another district. I have seen too many cases of children coming to school while ill to be fully confident in self reporting from parents without temperature checks. I know that temp checks will take time, but believe it is worth it. I would also like to hear more about distancing at the middle school level and what quarantine requirements will be, but I know that will all come in time. Thank you!</p>   |
| <p>I am glad to see that masks are required. Unfortunately with the current trajectory of this virus, I do not think we should be sending children back to school and putting our community at risk. It does not seem safe and in the long run, one semester or year of remote learning will not set these children back as far as the whole (community and world) effect of spreading this disease further.</p>  |
| <p>I am a teacher in another district and, to be quite honest, I don't see how we can have in-person instruction and keep both students and teachers safe. I know you are doing your best and there is no right way to do this. But I believe the kids must wear masks. If this doesn't happen, I will not send my kids to school. I am trusting that you will keep them safe and adhere to guidelines that are necessary. If I don't think you can keep my kids safe, they will not be in school.</p>  |

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| Given the current state of the virus in the country, I will not feel comfortable sending any of my 3 children (1st, 5th, and 7th grades) onto their designated busses or into school unless social distancing measures, along with temperature/symptom checks performed by the district and/or TJA and the other mandated precautionary measures can be guaranteed.  |
| Once face masks are no longer required, my middle school child will be taking the bus.   |
| If remote learning is not available will the schools coordinate homeschooling on a temporary basis?  |
| I am uncomfortable with the idea of my children going back to school while this virus continues to get worse. They have closed bars and restaurants in many places, and we should open our schools at full capacity? What about the safety and health of the staff? My daughter's school(HBMS) is already overcrowded. I'm just not comfortable with the idea of going back as usual. I would really like to see a hybrid or e-learning for the first half of the year, and then maybe reevaluate. |
| I am able to drive my son to and from school if needed. I would prefer some type of in person instruction with precautions.  |
| Single mom, my work day starts before my daughters school day. We live on the other side of Rte 31. Definitely need transportation   |
| If considering 1/2 day everyday, you should consider offering or assigning AM and PM sessions just as with kindergarten in the past. It will limit numbers in the building, allow for social distancing, and make limited or possibly no use of the cafeteria. Free and reduced students could receive a bagged breakfast/lunch on the way in or out of school.  |
| I am unsure if we would bus our children, but would entertain the idea if masks were required. Our students need to wear masks at school regardless of age, or the multitude of reasons against it. Right now there are 2 ways to decrease transmission (masks and social distancing) and those strategies should be enforced.   |
| We will try to provide our own transportation but as of right now my son would need to be a bus driver. Everything depends on the final plan that is decided by the school district.   |
| If full in-person schooling is not an option we will probably enroll in a local private school which will be full day in-person.   |
| Gonna drive kids   |
| I would utilize transportation if that is the only time of day my child would have to wear a mask.   |
| Consistency is important. Rather have no in person instruction vs pt/broken instruction.   |
| The bus is nice to have so I can get to work on time but I would go in a few minutes late or have someone take him. I know it is a hard decision but I am all for some form of in person learning as long as they can see friends and talk to one another. I have childcare for my younger child and will probably send him 2 days a week to a preschool program so ideally I would love the option of them going in person the same days.   |
| My child being driven to school is also an option she just really likes to ride the bus.   |
| Due to work schedules, my child will need to ride the bus home, especially if half day.  |
| My child would not be attending school without bus service. She has an IEP and needs to be in school.  |
| If we don't have buses we can still find a way to get them to and from school if needed.   |
| I am worried if there is no social distancing on school busses.  |

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| It will still be very warm for the first trimester and the buses are no exception. The kids like the buses as a way to see friends, but with masks it will just be too hot. They have a hard enough time sweating and breathing under the masks in good circumstances.   |
| I really am concerned about my child having to go to school and wear a facemask because that is not healthy to wear a mask for such a long period of time.   |
| Yo se k es importante la salud pero no es igual k baya a la escuela y aprendan en persona, a k el lo aga solo en la casa Xk no le pone el mimos empeño   |
| There is next to zero chance that you can provide a safe environment in a closed environment for our children and our families with a prevalent airborne disease.  |
| My kids will not be able to get to school without a bus. If busing is an issue they'd need the option of an early drop off.  |
| I have 2 children, 2nd and kindergarten at Hussman and am a teacher as well. Without bussing to and from school along with childcare if it is set for 1/2 days I do not know how it is possible for them to go to school or for me to be at my job either.   |
| our children need to be back at school in the junior high level they are more mature and should be able to know to wear a mask and how to follow social distancing rules if necessary. E- learning is not enough for our children. We need to get them back and safe. This can be done. Temp checks on bus, upon arrival at school and throughout the day. hand sanitizers and masks for each kid, they can do this.   |
| We drive our children to both schools and will continue to do so. We also will be choosing remote learning until the 3rd trimester, where we will then make a decision based on numerous things. Thank you!  |
| We can provide transportation to and from school for my children.  |
| I think a late start to the year or split schedules are the best option to allow safe distancing. I also feel that remote learning should/could be an option that parents could opt into if they have that flexibility.  |
| I desperately want to send my kids back to school ASAP but I think it's best for everyone that we wait until it's truly safe. I don't think it's fair to force this upon our teachers and staff.   |
| Thanks for all you are doing to try and make this transition work and be safe.   |
| If we do send our children back to school I expect social distancing and half class capacity. I am discouraged seeing Trump's comments about opening up fully or else funding will be cut. I wish you lots of luck in planning the best scenario for our children. These are extremely difficult decisions for all of us. Most importantly full communication from the district and schools must happen. We are anxiously awaiting the date of school starting. My girls mean the absolute world to me, and any easing of recommendations made by CDC will influence our decision to send them back this year. Thank you for all you do! |
| I would drive them to school during the first trimester.   |
| Temperatures in the building in August would be a something to discuss due to the school not having AC. Especially if kids are required to wear masks  |
| N/A  |
| I'm still uncomfortable with the children being confined on a bus and not all children complying with the rules.   |
| If children will use face masks be instructed to not be within each other 6 feet I will not be enrolling my child! That is traumatizing and my child needs hands on people contact!  |

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| I am not comfortable for sanitary reasons   |
| The American academy of pediatrics recommends a full return to school.  |
| This presents a problem in general if you are choosing to not have enough busses for children and no social distancing. It puts the greater population at risk. In addition, what cleaning methods will be provided on the buses/between schools/etc as you have a great risk of cross contamination. |
| I replied yes to transportation because I don't know if my husband will be able to drive them. If he is able to drive then we won't need transportation. All depends on current job at the time.  |
| I do not agree with masks all day, and if that's the case I will not be sending my kids to school this year   |
| We do not plan on sending our children to school, we will be remote learning for the foreseeable future.  |
| None  |
| I still prefer shields to facemasks and am hopeful that time will tell that shields/masks will not be necessary in the future. We are seriously considering leaving the state and about 1/5 of our neighborhood currently have their houses up for sale.  |
| We can drive him a couple of days a week when one spouse is home occasionally for work  |
| I am willing to drive my student as well as carpool with neighbors if it is necessary.  |
| I always Drive the kids to school, but I will have at glacier for adaptive learning and my other two at North. If it is split I would like for them to try to be on the same schedule.  |
| Schools should allow for in class learning with remote options for parents that can do so. Have the teacher be online while teaching in the class room.   |
| As long as kids have masks WHEN NECESSARY (I.e not at their desks) and everything is sanitized they will be fine.   |

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