

# SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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## **Board of Education Work Session - July 1, 2020**

#### Hamilton County School Continuity Task Force Update

The district is working with area schools in Hamilton County on a reopening plan. A plan has been developed that provides a framework for local consideration and decision-making. The reopening plan will be updated based on guidance from the Governor.

#### Legal Update - Utility Poles

The district is working with legal counsel and waiting for the next action steps.

#### Reading Reopening Survey

- District family survey completed on returning to school
- 712 responses
- Summary information attached

### **Reopening Planning and Preparations**

#### Technology

• Recent order placed to increase Chromebook capacity to 1:1 for grades K-12 with blended and/or remote learning a certainty for the upcoming school year.

• Student Chromebook return facilitated by Forward Edge to prepare for 2020-2021.

• Ongoing analysis of building technology capability, devices, server capacity, fiber, and other issues to ensure readiness for August.

#### <u>Safety</u>

- Transition to Omnia360 on July 1 for the building maintenance contract.
- Developing cleaning/sanitizing needs and protocols for return to school.
- Placed order for district PPE equipment through CARES Act Funding.
- Research/purchase additional equipment/best practices needed as guidance is released.

#### **Operational**

• State guidance will assist in defining operational practices.

• Hygiene will be a priority - washing/sanitizing hands, no shared supplies, wiping desks, best practices/guidance for face coverings.

#### **Educational**

- 1:1 device capacity
- Planning staff professional development needs and support

Planned work in the coming months:

- Social/emotional programming and support
- Assessing students and plans addressing gaps
- Curriculum alignment, standards assessment/priorities
- Instructional strategies
- Resources

#### <u>Financial</u>

• State financial reports for June 2020 released week of July 6th will give indication of COVID-19 financial impact.

• Continued analysis and allocation of CARES Act funding, Student Wellness funding, and federal grants being completed for 2020-2021.

Anticipated impact of state budget reduction by July 31st

#### **School Calendar Revision**

• Adjusts student start date to August 31, 2020.

• Staff begins August 17 to allow time for professional development and planning for new instructional and operational approach to education

• Board to vote on the revised calendar at the regular Board meeting on July 15, 2020

#### **Small District Collaborative**

• Reading will collaborate with Lockland, New Miami, and St.Bernard/Elmwood Place staff for joint virtual professional development planning for August 18-21.

#### Reading Reopening Planning Timeline

- July 2 State guidance shared
- July 6-10 Development of draft district reopening plan
- July 13 Staff advisory team
  - Parent advisory group
- July 15 Board presentation of reopening plan DRAFT
- July 16 Begin revision and finalizing
- July 22 Present district plan for 2020-2021
- July 23 Begin implementing Reading Reopening model