Sept 29, 2020 email to all staff

Dear staff:

Thank you for the great work you have been doing to ensure our students receive the best education possible while staying safe and healthy. We are pleased to share, with the stable COVID-19 cases in Snohomish County and the precautions we are putting in place in our buildings and for students and staff, we are making great progress toward bringing students back into classrooms.

Part of the planning requires getting information from families on whether they prefer the remote learning model or would like their child to attend class in person in a hybrid model.

Today, a survey will be going out to families asking how remote learning is going, how we can improve, and asking for their thoughts on Hybrid versus 100% remote. This is a "temperature check" only and does not commit them to one model at this time but will help our planning over the next several weeks. When more details are finalized, there will be a subsequent survey asking for a selection of Hybrid models or 100% remote. Student schedules, working conditions, and timing are subject to negotiations.

In the coming weeks, elementary certificated staff and some special education teachers will be receiving a survey from Human Resources to indicate their preferred model.

If you receive questions from families after today's survey is sent, please refer them to the COVID-19 web page on the district's homepage for information and the ability to submit questions.

Part of the communication to families today will also include information about the launch of the refreshed website, which will occur tomorrow evening. The <u>staff website</u> (you need to be logged in) contains more information about this change as well as specific information on how the schools, teachers, and department website will look different.

Again, thank you for all you do.

Be safe and be well.

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