

September 29, 2020

Dear Everett Public Schools families:

We are grateful for the outstanding partnerships we have with our school families, caregivers and community helping ensure 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, along with precautions we are putting in place in our buildings and for students and staff, we are making steady 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.

We would appreciate your input in this quick <u>survey</u> asking how remote learning is going, how we can improve and asking for your thoughts on Hybrid versus 100% remote (the survey will be open until 10 p.m., October 4). This is a "temperature check" only and does not commit families 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 and commitment to Hybrid models or 100% remote.

Please go to our COVID-19 web page for updates and the ability to submit questions.

We are also excited to announce the launch of our refreshed website, which will occur tomorrow evening. Feedback from families and the community were integrated into the redesign which provides reduced clicks, inviting visuals and a standard experience with navigation among all school sites. On Wednesday evening, the new site will go live, and teams will be working to reformat the content to fit the new template. The site will be under construction Wednesday evening and adjustments will be made through Thursday, October 1. Student tools, including Canvas, will still be located under the students tab.

Some changes to the home page include:

- 1. Icons for most commonly viewed topics
- 2. Finding your school is on the right
- 3. Translating the website into any language is on the right





We are excited for you to explore the look and feel of our new website.

Again, thank you for being great partners in education.

Be safe and be well,

Dr. Ian B. Saltzman