



Respectful, Responsible, Reflective

Greetings Greeneview Community,

Last week, Governor DeWine indicated that schools will reopen in August and it will be up to the local schools and the county public health agencies to determine how to reopen safely. He also promised guidelines for reopening, but we have yet to receive those as of June 29th. With such uncertainty on how Ohio will respond to the summer gradual reopening, we have been forced to develop three plans for the fall. Throughout May and June we have worked as an administrative team, along with other Greene County districts, to develop plans for in-person student attendance at 100%, 50%, and 0%. While we do not know the specifics yet for Governor DeWine's plan, we do know how we will come to a decision and what criteria we will use to make a decision.

Over the past school year, members of the Greeneview staff worked collaboratively to develop an approach to a positive building climate and culture, focused on common language and a reinforcement of the expected outcomes. If you have been to the elementary at any time in the past 30 years you could hear Mr. Hayes state, "At Greeneview Elementary, we expect respect." It is a proclamation of the positive behavior we want to reinforce with our staff and students. This approach is called Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS). As we plan for next school year, our staff is working to finalize this plan so we can roll it out in the fall. As a district, these three words will become commonplace and you will see them throughout all of our facilities and it is on these principles that we will develop our plan for reopening Greeneview Schools.

Respect: Survey results indicate that our community is split on their responses to the virus and their openness to mandate social distancing protocol. We must honor each other and understand we are all coming from a different perspective and with different life experiences that shape our responses. As a district, our planning must account and show respect for each staff and student. For example, we are planning for a full return to school in the fall, but we are also working with other county schools to provide an online educational option for those that are not comfortable with returning.

Responsible: Each individual who comes into our building will need to take personal responsibility for their actions, their own safety, and the social obligations to keep each other healthy and safe. As a district, we are responsible to the students we educate, the staff we employ, the community we represent, and the government guidelines and regulations. For example, each staff and student will be responsible to stay home when they are ill, practice good hygiene, communicate openly with school officials, and follow the social distancing guidelines that are in place.



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Reflective: We must all work to make educated decisions and critically think about the implications of our actions. As a district, we will continue to seek the input from our parents, our students, our staff, other area schools, and consult with research and guidelines on how to safely and effectively open our buildings. These decisions will not be made in isolation, but implemented only after careful consideration of all of the factors. It is for this reason that we are working on all possible scenarios as we await further guidance from Columbus.

We are committed to communicating with you as soon as we have concrete plans in place. Here is a tentative timeline for the release of information for the month of July.

- Monday, July 6th: Release of joint statement from Greene County Public Health and Greene County schools.
- Week of July 6th: Release of Greeneview's plan for reopening
- Week of July 13th: Parents will be asked to register their children for the fall after having an opportunity to review our plan for reopening. This will be done through OneView forms.
 - Parents will indicate whether they wish to participate in the online educational option or attend in person.
 - Parents will indicate whether they will self-transport or opt-in to transportation.
- Week of July 20th and July 27th: District staff will work to create bus routes and class schedules to educate those students that will be in attendance in August.

As we worked this spring to reflect upon our experiences, the main theme we heard from staff, parents, and students is that we all missed the relationships that make Greeneview special. Examples of this include the staff member that comes alongside a student and helps them grow and mature or the friends that encourage and cheer each other up. Relationships matter, and we cannot wait until we are able to return to school. Until then, let's practice respect for each other, even if our plans for the fall or our response to this virus differ. Let's all do our part and be responsible for our actions so we can return to school in the fall.

Sincerely,

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