



SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

May 19, 2020

Updates

- Graduation 2020
 - An announcement will be coming from Dr. Durante shortly.
- 5th Grade Moving Up
 - Plans are being made with building PTA committees; A “car parade” by the building will be scheduled. (We cannot accommodate in-person photographs during that time, but will keep the possibility of a date in late August in mind.)
- 8th Grade Moving Up
 - Middle School “Send Off Car Parade”; Families will have scheduled times to “parade” in cars at the building and receive certificates and awards.
- Summer School
 - Governor Cuomo indicated that he would make a decision at “the end of May”
 - We are preparing for 2 possible scenarios:
 - Virtual classes
 - Socially-distanced in-person classes
- Locker/Desk Cleanout
 - Building principals have communicated with their learning communities

Phase 3 – Online Learning

- **Goals**

- Increase face-to-face time between teachers and students;
- Increase small group opportunities for younger learners;
- Take advantage of our strong arts and music programs.

- **Elementary**

- Increased 60% time with the classroom teacher via adding small groups;
- Rescheduled art, music, and PE to achieve smaller group sizes;
- Will vary by grade because of students' developmental readiness.

- **Middle/High School**

- Requiring minimums of live group interaction;
- (Middle) Converting “flex Friday” to an instructional day and moving clubs and advisory to mornings/afternoons;
- Develop a new student online etiquette (more participation, less anonymity).

Fall 2020

- Governor Cuomo: No decision on Summer School... Fall is even further off.
- Preparing for 3 contingency scenarios:
 - In-Person
 - Hybrid
 - All virtual
- Hybrid
 - May include split AM/PM schedules, 2-day or 3-day rotating schedules;
 - Challenges/Costs: socially distanced classrooms, masks, cafeterias, additional cleaning, additional busing, supervision of virtual learning spaces, taking temperatures, athletics;
 - Need to coordinate scheduling for families with children in multiple grades/buildings;
- Virtual
 - Multiple initiatives underway to learn from districts' experiences this Spring to develop plans for the Fall;
 - More online instructional resources are needed;
 - Teachers need more technology tools.