

Dear Parents/Guardians and Staff -

I hope this email finds you well. The purpose of this communication is to notify you of a Board of Education virtual meeting to be held this Tuesday, July 21st, at 6:30 p.m. You can watch the meeting live on Comcast Channels 95 or 1070, as well as SCTV at www.simsburytv.org. The administration plans to provide the Board of Education with a detailed update regarding several elements of our School Reopening Plan. Our report will be framed by four guiding principles:

1. Health and Safety of Students and Staff
2. High-Quality, Engaging Instruction for All Students
3. Social and Emotional Health and Support
4. Access and Equity

Per the Governor's direction, we are currently planning for a full reopening of schools in the fall. Our top priority is to do so safely. I understand that the situation is extremely fluid and that the plans could potentially change based on virus activity. As such, the Governor and the Commissioner of Education have school districts planning in three lanes and we will be discussing all three models on Tuesday evening. They are:

Full return to school (with a distance learning option for those students who choose not to come into the school buildings).

A Hybrid model - 50% attendance/alternating schedule (with a distance learning option for those students who choose not to come to the school buildings).

Full distance learning model.

I hope you can watch the meeting on Tuesday.

Regards,

Matt Curtis, Superintendent