

Reopening School 2020-2021 Update
July 13, 2020

ECSD Families:

Thank you for your response to the Fall Return to School Survey! The feedback that you have provided has and will continue to guide our planning process for reopening school in September. The survey showed that approximately 80% of families want to return to school in the fall and approximately 20% may not attend. The ECSD will follow guidelines provided by the Centers of Disease Control (CDC), State of Wisconsin (State), Rock County Health Department (RCHD) and Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to ensure that we provide the safest environment possible. We are hopeful by doing so, that many more families will be willing to send their students to school, as we believe on site instruction is best for all of our students. A virtual option will be available for families who do not feel safe sending their students to school.

Based on the survey feedback, families will feel more comfortable sending students to school with the following precautions in place:

- Follow CDC guidelines
- Daily student and staff symptom checks
- Daily cleaning of classrooms and other surfaces
- Hand sanitizers and other sanitizing supplies readily available
- Social distancing where reasonably possible

We appreciate your feedback and we share many of the same concerns that you do. Preparing for teaching and learning in our schools will be no small feat, but we understand and support your desire to be on site for learning as much as possible. We will plan for students to be at school unless otherwise directed by federal, state and county orders.

Developing a return to school plan that meets your needs is our target. Our plans will include safety, curriculum delivery, transportation, food service, cleaning protocols and athletics/activities. Please keep in mind that not all families share the same desire and needs for student safety and learning. As we move forward with our planning, we will need your help, patience and understanding.

Thank you for your continued support of our schools.

Jerry Roth
ECSD District Administrator