

BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dear Parents, Guardians, Students, Teachers and Support Staff,

The 2020-21 school year Restart and Recovery Plan to Reopen the Bloomingdale Schools is the culmination of an intensive effort by parents, teachers, administrators, support staff and a representative of the Board of Education.

During the past few weeks parent surveys have been distributed and the responses have been reviewed. Information provided by the surveys was processed by district administrators and the Martha B. Day, Samuel R. Donald, and Walter T. Bergen school committees in collaboration with the district committee. This information with the input of the school committees was used as the foundation for the Restart and Recovery Plan to Reopen the Bloomingdale Schools.

This extraordinary effort focused on developing a plan for students and staff that provides a hybrid weekly scheduled program of in- person and remote instruction. At the same time it provides our students and staff with the best possible educational experience in a safe and healthy learning environment. The plan also phases in monitoring and evaluation of the educational program as well as a continual review of COVID -19 health data that may provide a pathway to a regular schedule of full day in- person instruction.

No one predicted the COVID - 19 Pandemic or the impact it would have on our students and schools. However, it is imperative that we make every effort to implement an educational program that adheres to the regulations of the Department of Education and the Center for Disease Control. We are confident this plan meets those requirements.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the parents, guardians, teachers, support staff, administrators, and the Board of Education representative for participating in the planning process. This is an unprecedented challenging time in public education. It is our intention to address and overcome the challenges presented by this pandemic and have a successful opening of the 2020-21 school year.

I invite you to read the plan that is posted on the district website.

Respectfully,

John J. Petrelli
Superintendent of Schools

