



# COOPERSTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Dear Families:

We hope this letter finds you and your family well. The purpose of this correspondence is to update you on our plans to bring our students back to school four days a week. We are working on bringing back students safely, which, of course, is our ultimate goal. We are currently investigating a staggered approach due to a multitude of factors, such as changing enrollment numbers, the ever-changing COVID situation, and social distancing requirements.

This has been an ever-evolving process as an incredible amount of factors need to be considered in both buildings. We thank our staff and community members who have provided us with helpful feedback as we make plans for our students to return to our buildings. In consideration of this feedback, we have decided on the following schedule:

- **February 22** - The following grades will return in person, Monday-Thursday:
  - Kindergarten
  - First
  - Fourth
  - Seventh
  - Eighth
  - Second, Third, Fifth and Sixth grade remain hybrid during this week.
  - All remote students Grades K-6 will still have their online morning meeting.
  - Grades 9-12 will remain in hybrid format.
- **March 1** - The following grades will return in person, Monday - Thursday:
  - Second
  - Third
  - Fifth
  - Sixth
  - All remote students Grades K-6 will still have their online morning meeting.

#### Other important points:

- ☐ A 100% Choice Learning Mode will still be an option for all students K-12.
- ☐ Fridays remain a remote day for all students K-12
- ☐ The livestreaming approach for Grades 7-12 will continue for those students learning from home.

In an effort to notify parents of the specifics regarding bringing students back to school, we will host two Zoom webinars. The Zoom link will be sent via email and will be posted on social media sites on **February 5th**. Please mark your calendars for these presentations:

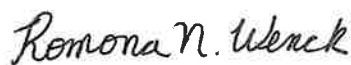
- **February 8 @ 12:00 pm**
- **February 9 @ 6:30 pm**

Of course, if our staff or students need to quarantine at any time, it might necessitate a need to move to Fully Remote Learning due to a lack of substitute coverage. In order for students to successfully attend school in person, we must all do our part. Practicing social distancing whenever possible, wearing masks, washing our hands and abiding by the New York State parameters regarding travel is essential to the success of our plan to bring all students back to school. If your family is planning on travelling over our vacation weeks, please be sure that you follow the quarantine and testing guidelines outlined by the State of New York.

At the Elementary School, we are urging everyone to use the blue sheets as their EZ Passes in the morning if your child is to be dropped off. It is imperative that these be the screening tool utilized to help the process of entering the building run smoothly, safely, and quickly. The app sometimes freezes and becomes inefficient, leading to the office having to call you for verification. Additionally, please make sure you are having your child get out on the sidewalk side of the vehicle, not the roadside. Your children's safety is our greatest concern!

We are ecstatic about the thought of bringing our students back to our school! They need to be in our buildings and we miss having them here with us! As always, if you should have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Respectfully,



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Superintendent



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