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Community High School District 117 Families,

We're all in this together

Those five words – those seven syllables – have meant so much for those searching for any hint of optimism or even encouragement. Such a simple phrase to express the power found in uniting behind a shared goal, a common cause; the benefits of collaboration that create a sum greater than its parts. We know the possibilities when we work not in opposition but to leverage our strengths toward achieving what we might not alone. Our common goal is to have kids fully back in school and enjoying experiences afforded only by our talented educators and strong, positive school environments.

In previous communications, The District indicated as the public health metrics improve, continued low COVID-19 incidence rates within our schools and the incorporation of more mitigating measures (COVID Tests & Vaccines) within the schools, an expansion of in-person learning would occur. Upon the staff having an opportunity to be vaccinated, the District will phase in more in-person learning. The District will move to expand from our current A/B/C student groups to an A/B grouping. The A/B student groups will be scheduled for in-person learning on an every other week basis. Approximately half of the student body will have the opportunity to attend in-person learning at any given time. More specific information will be provided in the coming weeks.



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Not to be overly redundant but it is worth repeating the importance of following the 3 W's (wearing masks, watching your distance and washing your hands) will help minimize the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Disregarding or minimizing public health recommendations will only delay our goal to remain in school.





Ignite Passion and Discovery in Every Student

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The District athletics programs have had a couple good weeks of conditioning and contests began this week. Consistent with the District's plan to phase more activities and experiences back into the schedule, home spectators will be welcome at contests. More specific information will follow from the athletics departments.

Please reach out to your building administration if you have specific concerns or questions.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jim McKay

Superintendent

