



## SILVER CREEK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Elementary Parent/Guardian:

Our records indicate you have chosen the daily online remote learning model for your child(ren). In a letter sent to you July 31, 2020, you were informed that we would reassess the in-person and remote learning models in January 2021. Presently, we are ending the first 10 weeks of the school year and we would like to reassess these two learning models now, rather than wait until January 2021.

At this point, remote parents are asked to indicate if you want to remain in the remote learning model, or if you desire to transition to the in-person model **IF there is capacity within your child(ren)'s grade level**. We **ARE REQUIRED** to continue to operate with strict social distancing, reduced population, and strict mask wearing protocols. Students that chose to start the year with in-person learning will continue to do so if they desire.

At this point remote **parents must once again indicate** your preference as to which learning environment you desire for your PK-5 child(ren). Go to the following link: <https://forms.gle/9pfcoJWziUujJSAD8> (also found on the district website's reopening tab and QR code found to the bottom right). If you do not have internet access call 934-2603 ext. 1900.

You will complete a separate survey for each Elementary child in your household. You will be asked your preferred learning model, either in person (traditional setting) or remain virtual (remote), for each child for the remainder of the first semester at which point we **MAY reassess** again. **You must register your child(ren) by Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 5pm**. It is possible, if you have multiple children that you may continue to choose one model for one child and another model for the other.

**It is important to note that we MAY NOT be able to honor your request** to return to in-person as we have limited capacity, however we desire to know your preference. If you desire in-person for your child, and we have capacity to honor the request, we will do so. If there are more requests than "slots" available at a particular grade level, we will utilize a lottery system and a wait-list to determine who can transition to in-person learning. We plan to update families by Friday, November 20. It is critical that you know, due to staffing and social distancing requirements **the choice you make now must be honored and students will not be able to transfer between models during the school year**.

We want to end by thanking you for your continued support and trust in our school district. Although these continue to be extremely difficult times for everyone with new developments, the school district family remains committed to educating students to the best of our ability. We remain committed to enhanced communication, progressing methodically and transparently, under the decision making of "what is best for students" within the structural parameters we have available to us.

In closing, we remind you that, ***"We are all in this together and together we will get through this"***.

If you have specific questions, please contact Mr. Sterling Stearns, Elementary Principal at (716) 934-2603 ext. 1100.

Sincerely,

Todd Crandall, Superintendent of Schools  
Sterling Stearns, Elementary Principal

