



Burkeville Independent School District

June 25, 2020

Parents,

On June 23, 2020, the Commissioner of Education, Mike Morath, hosted a conference call with all superintendents. Although, we hope that school begins in August with face to face instruction, the information shared during this call was how districts could provide remote learning for students who were unable or uncomfortable in attending school. Students who are interested in choosing a remote learning option will be required to have daily attendance, which will include mandatory participation in virtual or online classes. They will also have to follow a typical class schedule, complete a regular workload, and have grading expectations. More details about remote learning will be made available in the upcoming weeks.

Unfortunately, at this time, there is no guidance on how to safely return to school or when health and safety guidelines will be released due to the recent surge of COVID-19 cases across Texas.

The Board of Trustees, leadership team, and staff are working on how best to re-open school this fall. In the coming weeks, administrators, teachers, maintenance, and custodial staff will be meeting and planning to make sure we are prepared for both the instructional and facility operations.

Although, the decisions from the Governor and TEA's Commissioner will guide some aspects of how we safely return to school, we anticipate having discretion over other aspects. Your feedback is important to us, and for this reason, we will be posting surveys in the upcoming weeks. Whenever possible, we will make decisions that are reflective of our staff, students, and community.

Please stay safe and remember basic safety and health protocols so that you and your students remain healthy.

We all look forward to returning back to school in August.

Sincerely,

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