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Mr. Jason R. Stabler, Superintendent



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Dear Staff and Community of Bureau Valley,

I hope this message finds you and your families safe and well. This week, the Illinois State Board of Education released guidance for schools on the 2020-21 school year.

This [60-page document](#) and accompanying [FAQ](#) have been much anticipated and will go a long way toward answering critical questions all of us share about what the 2020-21 school year will look like in terms of in-person learning, scheduling, transportation, wearing masks, social distancing and other measures intended to keep everyone safe and healthy, while also re-engaging students in the learning process.

Right now, we don't have all the answers to those questions as these documents were released to school districts at the same time they were released to the public. Therefore, we kindly ask for your patience as our staff thoroughly reviews this detailed guidance and implements the suggestions into our district's own transition plan.

The Bureau Valley School District is keenly aware of the urgent need to communicate to families about what to expect next school year and anticipate releasing our own transition plan by July 20th.

Our district will form transition teams this next month and our leadership team has already been discussing options. This guidance will accelerate those conversations, and I'm confident our district can put forth a plan that prioritizes the health and safety of our students while maintaining a dynamic learning environment.

Thank you again for your patience, understanding, and flexibility as our entire district navigated a situation together that none of us could have imagined.

The administrative team will be in touch soon. In the meantime, stay safe and enjoy your summer.

Sincerely,

Jason R. Stabler
Bureau Valley Superintendent