BALD EAGLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Bald Eagle Area School District has been working hard over the summer to prepare for the fall. The safety and well-being of our students, staff, and families is of the utmost importance. The district is following the guidelines from the CDC and the DOH which have been laid out, as they apply to our district situations, in our Health and Safety Plan, posted on the BEA website and a summary of this document is attached.

Educational options, available to all students, now includes both synchronous and asynchronous learning. We like to inform you of four (4) educational learning options available to your children for the 2020-2021 school year. We added two additional instructional options to offer a more diverse and inclusive set of educational choices that will provide students with connections to their regular classroom teachers and will utilize district curriculum. We understand that COVID-19 has created many hardships for families. We are doing everything we can to make the transition back to school as positive and seamless as possible.

This letter will outline four educational options for you and your family to consider when making a decision regarding returning to school in the fall.

- Option 1: Return to in-school learning at the student's regular school. Classrooms will be arranged and class size reduced to maintain 6-feet distance between desks as much as possible.
- Option 2: This is one of our newest additions a hybrid model consisting of Two Days On & Two Days Off. Students would be placed in either the A Group or B Group. Students would attend school for two days following their course schedule and then receive online instruction from BEASD teachers using BEASD curriculum with lessons streamed during the students regular class time. Lessons will be recorded and placed in teacher's Google Classroom to access at a later time. Students will have access to BEASD teachers for support, tutoring, and consultation. An example of this option is provided below:

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
	Group A:	Group A:	Group B:	Group B:	Group A:	Group A:
	In School, Face-					
	to-Face	to-Face	to-Face	to-Face	to-Face	to-Face
CYCLE	Group B:	Group B:	Group A:	Group A:	Group B:	Group B:
1	Remote Learning					
	w/ Streamed or					
	Taped	Taped	Taped	Taped	Taped	Taped
	Lessons via					
	Google	Google	Google	Google	Google	Google
	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom

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CYCLE 2	Group B:	Group B:	Group A:	Group A:	Group B:	Group B:
	In School, Face-					
	to-Face	to-Face	to-Face	to-Face	to-Face	to-Face
	Group A:	Group A:	Group B:	Group B:	Group A:	Group A:
	Remote Learning					
	w/ Streamed or					
	Taped	Taped	Taped	Taped	Taped	Taped
	Lessons via					
	Google	Google	Google	Google	Google	Google
	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom

- Option 3: This virtual learning choice is a variation of Option 2 and also one of our newest additions to participate in remote experiences with BEASD teachers using BEASD curriculum with lessons streamed at the students regular class time. Lessons will be recorded and placed in teacher's Google Classroom to access at a later time. Students will have access to BEASD teachers for support, tutoring, and consultation.
- Option 4: To enroll in our BEASD Cyber Academy (BEACA). This option offers a flexible and independent educational experience. Courses are purchased from educational vendors to best align to the district approved curriculum.

Please be understanding that we may be required to return to remote instruction/learning at any time. Also keep in mind there may be adjustments or modifications to the above option delivery methods to better meets student needs and monitor student, staff, and family safety.

We know that making a decision about which option is best for your family is impacted by many factors. The addition of the flexible educational options was to better support families. We will be asking you to select the option that best fits your needs and particular family situation **by Friday, August 14** via a Google Survey that will be emailed to you in the next few days. Please make sure you have a valid email address with the district to ensure receiving this survey link by emailing Tina Kochik at tina.kochik@beasd.net to update or provide this information.

Sincerely,

Scott V. Graham Superintendent