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To: Students, Staff, Families, and Community Members

From: Joseph Price, Superintendent.

Re: School Reopening Plans - Update

Good afternoon, I hope this message finds you well.

In an effort to keep our communications flowing, open, and transparent, it is important to provide everyone with updates as it relates to our reopening plans. Our reopening committee continues to meet and communicate on a regular basis and we are still on track for a safe and responsible return to school. All equipment and supplies have been ordered and most of it is in. Signs are up throughout the building and classrooms have been rearranged to accommodate social distancing with best practices. We are working tirelessly but it is not enough - WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Community assistance needed:

As mentioned during this week's Board meeting, we are asking everyone in the Barneveld community to help us with our reopening plan. We know how difficult this pandemic has been on everyone. Between face coverings and distancing, the last several months have challenged us all. The Barneveld School District has put forth tremendous efforts to ensure a smooth and safe transition back to school. School will start in 17 days and as we have learned, a lot can happen during that time. You can greatly assist us by engaging in best practices - maintain social distancing, wear face coverings, be responsible. We have come so far and I have great faith in our Amazing Community. Thank you in advance for your support. **We are Barneveld Strong!**

Arrival and Departure:

In an effort to ensure the safety of all, we have made adjustments to our schedule, as well as our arrival and departure procedures. Similar protocols were put in place during the renovation project and it will take some time for us all to adjust. The [Arrival and Departure Plan](#) can be accessed on our website as well. Again, your assistance is greatly appreciated!

Virtual Expectations:

For families who are choosing to start the year in a virtual platform, we have created a brief video tutorial demonstrating how your day will look; [Virtual Learning Information](#). Several questions have been asked about the option to switch from virtual to live and vice versa. We ask all families to commit to at least four weeks during our transition back to school.

*When we receive the all-clear (hopefully in the not too distant future) for all students to return to school, students will be expected to be here as the virtual option will be phased out.

Thank you again for your continued support, have a wonderful and safe weekend!

Sincerely,

Joseph Price