



Cutten School District

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Dear Families,

Thank you all for your patience and support as we navigate through the complex decisions concerning the reopening of school in 2020-21. Thank you, also, for the valuable feedback you provided in the surveys that were sent out over the past couple of months. That information has been taken into account as we move forward with planning for next year. We also appreciated people taking the time to send an email or make a phone call if there were questions or concerns. We feel it will be imperative that we continue to keep our lines of communication open. Next year is not going to be easy, but we know ultimately we are all on the same team and want what's best for our students.

The situation with which we are faced is extremely fluid, which makes it difficult to state with 100% certainty what the first day of school will bring. One thing we do know is that school will look differently next year. The Cutten Board of Trustees met yesterday evening and voted to approve two plans for reopening:

- **Plan A: [Blended Learning Model](#)** (a combination of site-based instruction and distance learning)
Students participating in blended learning will attend school 5 days per week. The school schedule will be an AM/PM shift model, coupled with daily home assignments for grades 1st – 6th.

Cohort 1 will be on campus 8:00 - 11:00 Monday through Friday.

Cohort 2 will be on campus 12:00 - 3:00 Monday through Friday.

Note: Families will also have the option for full distance learning if we open with the blended learning model.

- **Plan B: [Distance Learning Plan](#)**. This model for learning will be implemented for all students by order of the Board of Trustees under advisement of the County Public Health Department.

Under current circumstances, Trustees decided that a third option of fully reopening with all students present on campus every day is not feasible. However, at their next meeting - on or before August 10, they will again consider this possibility based on current conditions.

For more information on how the 2020-21 school year will look, please join us for a community meeting via Zoom this Thursday, July 30, at 6pm. Zoom meeting link: <https://zoom.us/j/95516966339>

To help us best meet the needs of your family please complete this survey regarding your family's decision to return for on-site instruction, provide input on cohort schedule preference, and school bus transportation needs. Survey link: <https://forms.gle/6fqgH4wDYRS6LJTv6>

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