



# LICKING HEIGHTS LOCAL SCHOOLS

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Dear Families:

Our educational plan for the 2020-21 school year has been reviewed for transition at tonight's special Board of Education work session. We have been closely watching coronavirus cases locally and are aware that in December our community had one of the highest rates of infection in Central Ohio.

Because we are beginning to see a continued downward trend in the number of reported COVID-19 cases in our community, Licking Heights plans to reopen in-person/hybrid learning Mon., Jan. 25. To reopen the district, we will use the same in-person/hybrid schedule as in the fall: families with last names A-J attend class in-person Mon. and Tues., and families with last names K-Z attend class in-person Thurs. and Fri. (unless your household had an alternate placement due to different last names, etc.). Students will engage in virtual learning through SchoolsPLP on the days they are not in the building.

## **Educational plan (In-person/hybrid v. full-time virtual selection)**

In September, families selected their learning option preference. We want families to have the opportunity to re-evaluate their decision based on the most current public health environment. Though we are unable to make any changes to in-person/hybrid learning at this time, we plan to reopen the selection prior to the fourth quarter of the school year (March 22.) *However, if you would like your child(ren) to remain fully virtual, please contact your building directly to make this change now.*

## **Student meals and transportation**

- Student meals. All students (in-person/hybrid or full-time virtual) regardless of paid status will continue to receive free single serving breakfast and lunch through the end of the school year. Neighborhood-based supplemental meal pick-ups will continue.
- Transportation. If your child(ren) will need transportation on their assigned in-person/hybrid days, please review their assigned stop and transportation information [here](#).

Our District's reopening plans are based upon public health conditions remaining the same or improving. We continue to work with our local health departments to evaluate data and information each week, as well as, review vaccination logistics for school district personnel tentatively beginning Feb. 1.

Thank you for your flexibility as we work through these unprecedented challenges.

Sincerely,

Philip H. Wagner, Ph.D.  
Superintendent