

# CHERRY VALLEY-SPRINGFIELD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I know the past five months have been something that none of us could have ever dreamed of. We are now closing in on September and that means school starts back up for another academic year. With that being said, what does that look like? We have been working with focus groups and our reopening team to develop a plan that meets our District's needs and ability to reopen.

Our preliminary reopening plan has been posted on our website. This plan is a 'living document' and is based on current interpretation of the guidance from the state. It will undergo continued revisions to comply with additional guidance from the NYS Education Department, NYS Department of Health, and the Governor's executive orders. We ask for your patience and understanding knowing that any guidance or directives could result in immediate and substantial changes to our plans. We will continue to keep you informed as adjustments are made.

In the plan you will see our strategies for ensuring the health and safety of our students and staff to the best of our ability. This has been our top priority ever since our closure in March. You will also see that there are three instructional models; in-person model, "hybrid model" that incorporates some in-person learning and some remote learning, and a remote learning model. Our goal as of today is to return to school in-person. Governor Cuomo is expected to make a decision about the start of school sometime between August 1st and August 7th. Once that decision has been made public we will abide by the Governor's order.

It is crucial that you attend your assigned parent-student meeting that will be held between August 17th - 27th. Important information will be provided that is essential for a successful start to the school year. If you have not returned the Internet Connectivity or Transportation Questionnaire I urge you to do so ASAP. This information is critical in our planning.

Again, thank you for your patience and support during the past few months. This has all been uncharted waters and we are doing our best to provide a safe and secure environment for your child(ren). As always, feel free to call or email me with any questions.

Sincerely,



TheriJo Climenhaga  
Superintendent