Q&A
From School Board Meeting on August 13, 2020

Why can you not offer all 3 models with 10 traditional 10 hybrid 5 each day and 15 online for elementary grades? Giving class sizes 15 every day and 20 online class size total of 35.
Based on the data we have and the extensive analysis of our programs, schedules, and available building space we are recommending the hybrid program proposed in order to provide a safe environment for all our students and staff.

Did our school district receive 100% of the surveys back? If not, how do we know that more wouldn't want virtual? 
We received approximately 82% of the surveys back, which is an extremely high rate of return. We have to use the information we have available to make decisions in the best interest of our students.

Will the children be getting chrome books on loan again to do their work from home
Yes, you will be receiving communication from your child's building on the next chromebook distribution date.

During the 2 days the students are not in class will the teachers be teaching their actual class as if they were in school?
Instruction will be Synchronous, Asynchronous, Collaborative and Independent. Students will be provided a variety of instructional methods and will be expected to complete work to turn into their teachers. Asynchronous, collaborative, and independent work can be done at any time.

Is the days off live? What happens with working parents who can't accommodate to that?
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What efforts were made to reach non responders?
Numerous surveys were sent home to parents to encourage responses. Additionally, administrators called and emailed families in an effort to increase response rates.

So if we go hybrid vs traditional will hybrid mean less kids in a class?
Yes. While utilizing a split A/B schedule, we will have the ability to shrink class and building populations into an amount that will allow us to safely adhere to the 6 foot mandate set forth by our Governor.
Why would teachers physically in class teaching under the traditional models not also be able to live stream their classes virtually, thus reducing in-person classroom sizes? Masks or not, spacing students 3-4 feet apart is prone to spreading the virus.

Students enrolled in our Whitehall Learning From Home program will be able to access the classroom via a live stream. Students remaining in the physical classroom would be spaced to the maximum extent per the CDC guidelines on social distancing.

so with hybrid will we follow a teacher from 8-2 instead of a free for all where they post the assignments for the week and its due friday?

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What about volunteers? I feel teachers and staff will need that more than ever.

Due to an effort in limiting exposure rates, any non-essential people will not be permitted into the buildings at this time.

Why if the desks are 6 feet apart do the students need masks on?

Schools should provide face covering breaks throughout the day. Maintain a distance of at least 6 feet during these face covering breaks. Schools may allow students to remove face coverings when students are:

- Eating or drinking when spaced at least 6 feet apart;
- Seated at desks or assigned workspaces at least 6 feet apart;
- Engaged in any activity at least 6 feet apart (e.g., face covering breaks, recess, etc.); or
- When wearing a face covering creates an unsafe condition in which to operate equipment or execute a task.