



## EAST RUTHERFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents/Guardians;

We are gathering input from our parents/guardians as we develop our scheduling plan for Phase II, which is slated to begin on Monday, October 19, 2020. It is important to understand that district plans must continue to align with the guidance set forth by the NJDOE and the CDC, and that these parameters are subject to change.

With this in mind, please be aware that the administrative team has been taking corrective measures to bring back our middle school students during Phase II. Based on the corrective measures taken, at this point, we are awaiting the final analysis from Dr. Richard Lynch, the District's Certified Industrial Hygienist. We feel confident that during Phase II, the district will be able to offer a hybrid option that is safe and conducive to learning for our middle school students. Therefore, please keep in mind a hybrid option for your middle school child(ren) when making your final selection.

In this survey, the district has provided two scheduling options for parents/guardians to choose from that they are most favorable with. These two options are: (1) Fully remote - 5 single session days per week or (2) Hybrid in-person single session days. Please keep in mind that if we receive a high number of requests for Hybrid in-person single sessions days, students will no longer be attending in person three days per week as we would need to modify the current schedule to ensure that we are keeping in line with the required social distancing guidelines. This means, if we have a high number of requests for in-person instruction, students will only be attending school in person, two days per week instead of three days per week. An exception, in this case, applies to Preschool, as these students will continue in-person instruction five days per week.

If an option is not selected by Friday, September 25, your child(ren) will be placed in their current learning environment. We greatly appreciate your prompt feedback.

**In order to collect accurate data, if you have multiple children in the district, please answer the survey for each individual child. Please click [here](#) to access the [survey](#).**

Be well!

Sincerely,

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