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November 9, 2020

Dear District 25 Staff and Families:

I have a few updates for you in this letter including details about upcoming Board of Education meetings as well as information about what it would take to return District 25 instruction back to a full-remote learning environment.

How a move to full remote would be decided

We will continually review our internal COVID-19 positive cases and exclusions for both staff and students. Should we see a trend that causes us to consider a move to full-remote learning or if we couldn't fully staff our in-person instruction, a special Board meeting would be called, with 48 hours notice, to make that determination.

Please remember that at any time, parents can choose to keep their students home and join their classroom remotely.

November Board meeting procedures

Upcoming Board meetings are scheduled to take place at South Middle School. Due to the current Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) mitigation requirements, a maximum of 25 people may be allowed in a Board meeting room at one time. Due to Board members and required staff this leaves 13 audience seats available in the meeting room. We will have an overflow room available for people who wish to participate/attend the meeting. We will livestream the meeting to this room. This additional room will have 23 audience seats.

If the CCDPH mitigation requirements change by Thursday, we will adjust our seating.

Everyone who wishes to speak in the meeting will be required to submit a blue public comment sheet that is available when you sign in to the meeting. Anyone who wants to speak will be given an opportunity to do so. Please complete a blue public comment sheet when you arrive. You can still submit public comments electronically, to Lana O'Brien (lobrien@sd25.org).

Comments emailed to Mrs. O'Brien by noon on the day of the meeting will be read aloud at the meeting. If there are multiple comments with similar content, they will be grouped by category and the categories will be announced at the meeting. All comments submitted and received before the start of the Board meeting will be shared in writing with the Board and be posted to the website the day after the meeting. (www.sd25.org/CatchUpOnMeetings).

The doors will open at South Middle School at 6:45 pm and the meeting will begin at 7:30 pm. Only the front main entrance doors will be accessible at South Middle School. Participants and/or audience members must line up and enter South Middle School via the front main entrance doors. You will be asked to participate in a temperature check before you enter the meeting.



COVID self-screener reminder

Please remember to continue to self-screen before entering our buildings or sending your children to school. If a student shows signs of **any** COVID-19 symptom listed on our self-screener page (www.sd25.org/SelfScreener), we ask that you keep them home to attend class remotely if they are well enough to do so.

Now hiring and seeking volunteers

We are now hiring staff and requesting volunteers to help our schools and assist with building and classroom functionality.

The following positions are needed:

- Lunch Supervisors
- Recess Supervisors
- Registered Nurses
- Substitute Teachers
- And more!

Apply here: www.sd25.org/Apply or call 847.758.4900 to inquire.

Thank you for continuing to partner with us as we navigate through this global pandemic.

Sincerely,

Lori D. Bein, Ed.D. Superintendent