

## CVS to begin the school year with remote learning

Dear Chippewa Valley Schools Families,

On Monday, August 10, 2020, the Chippewa Valley Board of Education met to hear the administration's recommendation for our return to school this fall.

Over the summer, our Operations Committee developed procedures and protocols for a variety of scenarios. Those scenarios included traditional in-person learning, a hybrid model where students alternate days in school with online learning, and, if needed, a rigorous remote learning plan.

Throughout this process we have relied on data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Macomb County Health Department, and the state's guidelines for the safe re-opening of schools. We determined best practices related to COVID-19 when it comes to student instruction, safety, and the operation of schools. We considered classroom instruction, transportation, food service, custodial operations, and the protocols and procedures necessary to mitigate the health and safety risks to our students and staff. We have reviewed survey data from our school community and we continue to monitor state and local information related to COVID-19.

Nevertheless, after careful consideration and review, we have determined that the best plan to protect the health and safety of our students, staff, and families, is to begin the school year with a Remote Learning Plan.

## Remote learning can transition to Hybrid Learning or Traditional Face-to-Face

Although we will start the school year with a remote learning plan, our goal is to transition students back to face-to-face learning when local conditions allow. For families not signed up for the CVVA, you are automatically enrolled in this district option and there is nothing more for you to do. Parents can be assured that our remote learning this fall will offer high-quality instruction, student accountability, and a rigorous curriculum. It will be much more structured than the emergency remote learning plan implemented last spring.

## Chippewa Valley Virtual Academy (CVVA) available for families

The Chippewa Valley Virtual Academy (CVVA) is available for families that are uncomfortable with their children returning to the classroom. Students who have enrolled in the Chippewa Valley Virtual Academy (CVVA) will continue to learn online. The deadline for enrolling in or opting out of the CVVA is Thursday, August 13, 2020.

For more information on the differences between Remote Learning and the CVVA please visit: https://www.chippewavalleyschools.org/downloads/community\_relations/remote\_\_cvaa\_for\_boe\_8-10-2020.pdf

Our ultimate goal is the eventual safe return to in-person instruction as we know that it is the optimal learning environment for our students. We appreciate your support and your patience as we continue to navigate these uncertain times. Our top priority remains the health and safety of our students and our staff.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.