

July 30, 2020

Dear Crawford Families,

Warm summer greetings from the staff and Board of Education at Crawford School! We are in the planning stages to successfully start the 2020-21 school year! The close of the last school year was definitely a challenge for everyone. Working in collaboration with our Regional Health Department #10, we are preparing a Return to School Plan to ensure the health and success of our students. We are required to submit our plan to the State of Michigan by August 15, 2020.

Crawford School is located in Region 6 on the State of Michigan map. Region 6 is currently in Phase 5 of the COVID 19 pandemic, which provides recommendations for the start of the 2020-21 school year. The small size of our school facility brings many advantages and positives for students. However, with the COVID 19 challenge, recommendations are for our students to be socially distanced (six feet apart) while on the bus and at school. So, this will require us to be creative in how we approach the school year. A very brief survey is attached to gather critical parent input for our Return to School Plan. Please take a few minutes to complete for us. Thank you! **The survey can be found at:**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdFwdMM0SmM5v8MgS3OYWkH1E5IAy-XmwzvC5eZGMZ_Af492g/viewform?usp=sf_link

This summer we have been discussing how we improve on-line learning options for our students. We believe our students learn best while physically in attendance at the school, but must prepare for all options for 2020-21. One option could be a “hybrid” plan which involves both face-to-face teaching & learning and the on-line format. A possibility could be for students in grades K-5 to physically attend on Monday-Wednesday-Friday. Students in grades 6-8 would physically attend on Tuesday & Thursday. When students are not physically at the school, on-line teaching & learning would take place. We know and respect this is a challenge for everyone, including students and parents. However, given the conditions and challenges, this may be our best option for safe and successful student learning.

We are prepared to keep students safe for learning at the school. We are ordering new sanitizing equipment, sanitizer, bleach wipes, masks and other personal protection equipment. Working with parents, we will monitor all student’s health to keep them safe.

Please consider completing the attached survey. Your input will be very helpful. In addition, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Principal Mike Hill at:

mhill@crawfordschool.com or 231.342.7168.

Stay Crawford Strong!

Crawford Staff & Board of Education