Dobbs Ferry School District School Reopening Virtual Parent/Community Meeting Monday, July 20, 2020

July 17, 2020

Dear Dobbs Ferry Parents,

This most unusual summer is speeding by, and uncertainty about the new school year continues to dominate everyone's thoughts. Earlier today, we finally received the 144-page guidance document from the New York State Education Department, and we are in the process of analyzing it as quickly as we can. School districts must file their initial reopening plans, in accordance with this guidance, by July 31st. Meanwhile, our Reopening Schools Subcommittees have been hard at work, discussing every conceivable aspect of reopening. The latest information from these groups is always available on the Reopening Schools website so that parents can get a sense of the progress that is being made.

I hope that you will join me this Monday, July 20th, at 7pm for a School/Community Update that will be available via Livestream

https://ensemble.lhric.org/Watch/ReOpeningCommunityBriefing
and Google Meet
meet.google.com/krt-uwjr-mpb

Since Google Meet is capped at 250 participants, parents can simply watch the live stream if they choose, or if we reach capacity. We will also record the meeting and post it on the Reopening Schools website for those who aren't able to join live.

We need parent input to plan effectively. Please take a few minutes to complete a survey that will help us better understand the needs of our families and guide us in our decision-making. All data collected by noon on Sunday, July 19th, will be shared in the presentation on Monday evening for purposes of discussion. The survey will remain open until Wednesday, July 23rd, when we will begin to use the data for planning purposes.

Elementary Survey: https://forms.gle/j8AgJEysPJQ7eW806
Middle & High School Survey: https://forms.gle/WZUkUULj2rRZvNHh9

The District is committed to making plans for September that, to the greatest extent possible, meet the needs of all students. We know that the challenges we face are significant. We also know that working together; we will find a way to move forward.

I look forward to seeing you on Monday evening at 7pm.

Sincerely,

Lisa Brady, Ed.D.