

Communications Committee Progress Report, July 28, 2020

- Committee focused on how to report results of Reopening Schools Parent Survey to the public
- Goal is to create a 1-page summary of the very topline takeaways, to be posted to the Reopening website and sent in Superintendent's update
- Survey response rate
 - Very high response rate
 - Some parents may have taken it more than once, or some families may have had more than one parent from the family take the survey
 - Hard to know which groups, if any, were overrepresented because of this
 - Pretty good representation in terms of numbers from parents of children who qualify for Free/Reduced lunch, parents who have needed the assistance of a food pantry, and parents who have a child with a 504 Plan or IEP
 - Thank you to R. Larkins and SPRING for reaching out to parents at last week's DF Food Pantry and facilitating the survey process for many of those parents
- Vast majority of respondents reported that they could make any of the 4 potential hybrid scenarios work
- Technology
 - There are still families, mostly in Springhurst, who need devices for their children
 - We need to understand better the technology needs of MS/HS families who reported needing devices for their children
 - There are still some families that need Wifi in their homes
- Transportation
 - About half of Springhurst respondents say they do not plan to put their child on the bus
 - Another more detailed transportation survey will be going out, in coordination with our Transportation consortium, after more information about schedules has been announced
- About 20% of respondents indicated that they would choose a remote-only option if that were available
 - The number here was consistent among the 3 buildings
 - Interviews with some families indicated that this question may have been misunderstood, particularly by respondents for whom English is not their native language
- Childcare
 - There may have been some confusion about these questions
 - There is a substantial need for childcare for Springhurst and some MS parents on the days that students are not in school
 - It's unclear how much feasibility of each hybrid option depends on childcare solutions