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Subject: Responding to concerns around hybrid

Hi Jenny,

We appreciate you sharing your perspective and questions around returning to the building and want to share responses to your questions. This our collective respond to your questions. (*Edit: Response from Administrators will appear in Italics*)

I have been a kindergarten teacher for a long time in SPPS 24 years

These are some of my concerns about going back to in person teaching-I would like to know what exactly will happen- there has been NO expectations shared with teachers

Are we going to ask 5-6-year-old to sit at a desk for more than 10-15 mins at a time (they are not yet capable of doing that yet)? Will this be thoroughly explained to parents.

Students may be given the opportunity (when social distancing permits) to get up and move while being safe. Yes, we will have a meeting with parents so they will know what in-class operations will look like. As like brick and mortar, classroom teachers are will continue to set the tone, climate and expectations for learning in their classroom.

What do I do when they need a shoe tied, a jacket zipped, help opening their food or they are scared and want to hold my hand? Help cutting, drawing writing-getting their iPad that froze fixed? You will be able to help students. PPE will be supplied for you to be able to do these tasks.

Where will all their materials such as coats and Jackets go?

The building walks will go over these procedures. This will be shared before students return.

Much of our curriculum is play based? Is there is no play?

Play will need to be adjusted to abide by safety protocols (i.e. individual sets of manipulatives and materials vs. shared objects). Some curriculum changes will be needed if deemed that the activity cannot be done safely.

What do I do if someone comes to school that feels sick- For your information kindergarten kids feel sick a lot- They sneeze and cough and sometime throw up on themselves, peers and teachers.

We have a plan in place per the COVID guidelines. I would suggest visiting the Reopen SPSS website for further information regarding our district COVID safety procedures.

Are parents allowed in the building? Dropping off a child for their very first day of school and they are scared?

We'll get back to you as we get more clarity.

Who is going to clean my, in classroom, bathroom after each student uses it?

Teachers will be given a large tub of sanitary hard surface wipes for cleaning during the day.

Will my room be cleaned daily and my tables scrubbed? Yes..

Who will sub for me if I am not feeling well or need mental health days due to the stress of all this???

Subs will be accessed through AESOP.

As far as the CDC is concerned I am high risk if I get covid- What do I do for the care of my adult son who is DCD and not in a day center yet because they are not open?

Thank you for sharing, other staff and parents also may experience similar realities, the district does not comment on these issues as they are personal family matters.

Who will move the tables and who will move all the "materials" out that were once used for my play curriculum?

Operations have been removing materials to ensure space for 50% occupancy as well as 6ft social distancing. Do you mean initial set-up of tables? We will ask custodial staff to assist with this. The district is asking that personal items that are not needed be taken home to minimize clutter and keep air quality vents cleared. If items need to be stored, we will work with custodial staff to provide storage.

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