



Akron Central School District

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Superintendent of Schools*

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Dear Akron Central Schools Community:

As was shared in my letter to the community last week, the Akron Central School District is preparing for the return of all students and a traditional five-day-a-week in-person instructional program starting September 7, 2021. We are genuinely excited to have the students back with us and involved in an engaging, robust learning experience that allows them to grow academically, socially, and emotionally. At the same time, we understand that there may be unique circumstances (e.g., documented medical conditions) that may warrant the continuation of remote learning.

In order to effectively plan for these circumstances, we have been seeking parental input. Over the course of the past week, parents were asked to contact the school nurse to alert us of any need for fully remote instruction and all parents of children that were fully remote last year were called individually by office staff. Today, we are inviting parents to complete a brief Google survey if their children have a need for remote learning in the upcoming school year so that we may finalize our plan.

If necessary, we will partner with Erie 1 BOCES to provide instruction for our students who cannot attend school due to diagnosed conditions. We have a long-standing partnership with Erie 1 BOCES and have been in contact with them regarding participation in their remote learning program. Students who qualify for this program would be instructed by teachers from Erie 1 BOCES and classes would consist of students from school districts around the area.

Please complete the [ACS/ERIE 1 BOCES Remote Learning Survey](#) by Tuesday, August 3, 2021, if you are interested in your child attending the Erie 1 BOCES remote learning program or learning more about the program. This will help us work with Erie 1 BOCES to determine if remote learning is necessary for Akron students.

If needed, an informal meeting will be scheduled following the August 3rd deadline to answer specific questions about the program (e.g., course offerings, review a sample schedule). Following the meeting, we will ask those interested in the program to make a commitment for the entire school year.

After we receive updated guidance from state and local health departments and understand its implications for reopening schools this fall, we will communicate that with you. We thank you again for your continued support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Patrick D. McCabe
Superintendent of Schools