

ELPS Updates

September 27, 2020

Board of Education Regular Meeting – September 28, 2020

The Board of Education will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting Monday, September 28 at 7:00 p.m. Here is the meeting link and information:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88568021299?pwd=dEpDL1BFbVdleFVSYmxPZXhWME9uUT09>

Meeting login information can also be found here: <https://elps.us/our-district/board-of-education/special-meeting-notices/>

ELPS Extended Continuity of Learning Plan (ECOL Plan)

- The ECOL Plan has been updated to include the recommendation below to continue remote learning through October 30, 2020. This document is a supplement to the previously Board-approved COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan. The Board will be taking action on the ECOL Plan at the September 28 Board of Education meeting. Upon approval, the ECOL Plan will be posted on the ELPS website and submitted to the ISD for approval and submittal to the state.

Family Survey Data

- Summary results of the Family Survey are linked below.
- [District-wide summary](#)
- [ELHS summary](#)
- [MacDonald Middle School summary](#)
- [Elementary summary](#)

Recommendation for Instructional Delivery through October 30, 2020

On August 10, 2020, the ELPS Board of Education approved the recommendation to start the 2020-21 school year remotely through September 30, 2020, with a reevaluation and recommendation for instructional delivery beyond that date to be communicated to the Board and stakeholders the week of September 21, 2020..

Since then, legislation was passed to require each district to develop an Extended Continuity of Learning Plan by October 1, 2020, and for the Board of Education to recertify the mode of instructional delivery each month after October 1. ELPS is

monitoring health data for the county and East Lansing Community daily. We are also in communication with MSU and the Ingham County Health Department on a regular basis and are utilizing tools developed by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Service (MDHHS) and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to guide decisions regarding the increasing intensity of in-person instruction.

Based on county and local data, **I am recommending that ELPS extend online instructional delivery through October 30, 2020.** The Board of Education will be asked to take action on that recommendation at Monday's (9/28/20) meeting. We will survey our stakeholders again in mid-October to inform future programming decisions. The district is also working with teachers and families on plans to begin providing some in-person instruction in very small groups for some students with disabilities and other special populations, as local health conditions permit.

Return to School Information

Data, Tools and Resources Utilized to Evaluate our Timeline for Transitioning to In-Person Instruction

- ELPS is monitoring health data for the county and East Lansing Community daily. We are also in communication with MSU and the Ingham County Health Department on a regular basis. As part of the Extended Continuity of Learning Plan, the district is required to consider the following metrics:
 - COVID-19 Cases or Positive COVID-19 tests
 - Hospitalizations due to COVID-19
 - Number of deaths resulting from COVID-19 over a 14-day period
 - COVID-19 cases for each day for each 1 million individuals
 - The percentage of positive COVID-19 tests over a 4-week period
 - Health capacity strength
 - Testing, tracing, and containment infrastructure with regard to COVID-19

Here are links to sites that provide local COVID-19 health data:

- MI Safe Start Map Reporting: <https://www.mistartmap.info/> (Click on our region – then click on Ingham County for county-specific data)
- Ingham Country Health Department Reporting: <https://ichd.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/d9fd5db6d01348fdb1b9f8d1516bb825>
- MSU Reporting: <https://msu.edu/together-we-will/testing-reporting/>
- School-Related Outbreak Reporting: https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98163_98173_102480---,00.html

Return-to-School Work Groups

- Our high school, middle school and elementary school work groups have resumed.
- At the September 15 meeting, members provided input for the contents of the Family Survey.
- The groups did not meet last week, and members are reviewing Family Survey data in preparation for this week's meeting.

Timeline for Extended Continuity of Learning Plan and Recommendation for Instruction beyond September 30

- **Sept. 28, 2020**

Board of Education meeting – 7:00 p.m.

BOE to take action on ECOL plan and recommendation for instructional delivery model beyond Sept. 30

- **October 12, 2020**

Board of Education meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Draft plan shared for future return to in-person instruction

- **October 26, 2020**

Board of Education meeting – 7:00 p.m.

BOE to recertify ECOL Plan and take action on mode of instruction recommendation for November

How to keep up to date with new information and district plans...

- Weekly updates
- Our website – www.elps.us
- Facebook – www.facebook.com/EastLansingPS
- Twitter - @ELPSSupt