Greenfield High School



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Dear Students and Families of Greenfield High School,

While this year has been full of continual twists and turns, I have enjoyed some of the normal rhythms of autumn in schools that have come over the past few days – a National Honor Society Induction, some fall sports beginning to wrap up, and Student-Family/Teacher Conferences. While each has been done a little differently, a little more mindfully, and always with the best of our students in mind, it has been nice to still experience some vestiges of a regular school year. Thank you for staying safe, for encouraging each other, and for your ongoing support of your students and our school.

This past Monday, after review of data, consideration of public comments, and thoughtful discussion, the School District of Greenfield School Board determined that it would be appropriate to keep the middle and high school students in a virtual setting. They will continue to review data and will continue to consider the appropriate time to return to full inperson instruction at subsequent meetings. The Board did ask that the high school begin to offer some in-person learning opportunities for students who may be comfortable beginning to come into the building as was originally proposed as part of the Virtual Learning PLUS plan.

As such, beginning on Wednesday October 28th, Greenfield High School will begin to offer In-Person Learning Sessions (ILS) on Wednesday mornings. A detailed plan of how our Wednesday ILS program will work is included in this communication. In short, a limited number of teachers will offer in-person learning activities across 4 sessions, each 70-minutes in length on Wednesday mornings. These sessions are for those students who are invited by their teachers and are comfortable returning in-person. These sessions are intended to add richness and depth to the virtual learning experience and there will be no penalty for those who cannot or choose not to attend.

While we are excited to begin to offer some in-person opportunities, please know that we are working to provide many mitigations to present the safest possible learning environment for our students. Our attached plan will outline much of our intentions for mitigation, which starts with self-screening at home and universal mask wearing while in the building.

We will be providing Milwaukee County Transit System passes for those who may need transporation support to attend. A copy of local transit routes has been included in the Wednesday Plan. If your student needs MCTS Passes to participate please contact Mrs. Karen Schilz at the GHS office and we will arrange pickup at an upcoming distribution day or delivery as needed.

We are thankful for your feedback regarding our Virtual Learning + Plan this fall. We are proud of the work we have done and are excited to further enhance it through our Wednesday experiences!

Best Regards,

Todd Willems, Principal