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Dear Limestone Walters Families,

I wanted to give you an update on our Re-Opening Plan for the 2020 – 2021 school year. First, many thanks for everyone's input on the parent survey that went out last week. That information has been very helpful as the committee continues to develop a plan for Limestone Walters. Our committee has been charged with creating a plan that follows the guidance handed down by the Illinois State Board of Education. That guidance is the following:

1. Require use of appropriate PPE, including face coverings
2. Prohibit more than 50 individuals from gathering in one space
3. Require social distancing be observed, as much as possible
4. Require that schools conduct symptom screenings and temperature checks, or have individuals self-certify that they are free of symptoms
5. Require an increase in school-wide cleaning and disinfection

Please keep in mind that for in-person instruction to be possible, we must remain in Phase 4 of the governor's Restore Illinois Plan and follow the above mentioned guidelines.

- **Families will have the option to choose from in-person instruction or remote learning with *traditional grading returning for both forms*.**
- **Remote learning will be more defined with attendance requirements, ability to live stream lessons, and lessons taught online. Families that choose the remote learning option will be making a 9- week commitment.**
- **Instruction will be 5 days a week from 7:50 – 11:50 AM, with the focus on the core curriculum. Our first day of school for 2020 - 2021 is August 21.**
- **Lunch will not be served at school but families can order a sack lunch to be taken home.**
- **There will be an additional hour of remote learning each day that will account for the necessary 5 clock hours required for a school day.**

I am extremely confident in the committee that has been assembled and the plan that is being developed. We will continue to keep you updated as our plan evolves. Thank you in advance for your patience.

Sincerely,
Tim Dotson, Superintendent