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Dear Muncy Family,

I hope this letter finds you and your family in good health.

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with updates related to our school district.

At last night's board meeting, the Muncy School District Board of Directors approved the [Preliminary Health and Safety Plan](#) for the re-opening of Ward L. Myers Elementary School and Muncy Jr. / Sr. High School. Additionally, the Board approved updates to the [Athletics Health and Safety Plan](#). In addition to using the hyperlinks in the letter to access each document, both documents have also been posted to the school district's website for your review.

As always, your feedback is critical to our success. Your continual feedback will help us determine our blind spots and help us make our plans stronger and more viable as we move forward together. The survey link in this Thursday's letter will provide you the opportunity to provide us with feedback related to our plans. As we did earlier this year, we will compile feedback to share common areas for concern and answer questions as promptly as possible. Please provide us with your feedback and questions either through the survey link in Thursday's letter or by e-mailing us or giving us a call.

Based on last night's approval, Muncy School District has selected the following option:

- Total reopen for all students and staff (but some students/families opt for distance learning out of safety/health concern).**

Based on the total reopen decision, Muncy School District plans to make the following options available to all students and families for the 2020-2021 school year:

1. **In-person Instruction with Health and Safety Rules** – Currently, PDE allows school districts to offer in-person instruction in both the green phase and the yellow phase. Muncy School District intends on providing in-person instruction to all students and families who select this option. This Health and Safety Plan document identifies the health and safety rules the school district will incorporate throughout the school day to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

Please note that if necessary, based on changing conditions within our schools and our community, the Muncy School District Board of Directors may choose to reduce the number of students attending in-person instruction each day from all students attending

in-person instruction each day to approximately one-third (1/3) of the student population attending in-person instruction on a three-day cycle. If necessary to move to the reduced in-person instructional model to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in our schools and in our community, students would participate in ‘real time’ distance learning from home (option #2) on days they are not physically in attendance.

2. **‘Real-Time’ Distance Learning from Home (Synchronous)** – Students and families who select this option will follow their school schedule from home by using technology (e.g., Google Classroom / Zoom) to connect to their classroom(s) to complete activities and receive instruction from Muncy School District Teachers.
3. **Muncy’s Online Learning Academy (Asynchronous Distance Learning from Home)** Students and families who select this option will use Muncy School District’s own cyber option called Muncy’s Online Learning Academy to select coursework and receive instruction through [EQUIP](#) and work with highly qualified teachers employed through [EQUIP](#). This option allows for an easy transition back to in-person instruction as necessary and allows students to stay on track to receive a Muncy High School Diploma. Please contact the high school office or elementary school office if you would like more information related to this option.
4. **Homeschooling** – Student and families who select this option will participate in homeschooling in accordance with Muncy School District’s policies and procedures ([Muncy School District's Home Education Policy](#)). Please contact the school district office if you would like more information related to this option.

The survey link placed in Thursday’s letter (July 23rd) will ask parents / guardians to select the learning option that is best for their child(ren) for the 2020-2021 school year, to indicate whether or not district transportation will be needed for the 2020-2021 school year, to provide feedback on the district’s Health and Safety Plan for future consideration etc. Students and families will be asked to notify the school district if they wish to change their educational selection at the end of each marking period. This information will allow our District Administrators and Transportation Department to confirm and/or adjust plans as best as possible.

As we prepare to reopen our schools, it is important we have up to date information for all of our students and families. Please use the instructions below to take the time to review and update your records. This will allow parents and guardians to make changes to addresses, phone numbers, emails, and emergency contacts. Thank you for assisting us in maintaining accurate information. Please contact Mary Smith at 570-546-3125 ext. 3450 if there have been any informational changes related to kindergarten students since enrollment.

- Log into your PowerSchool account. <https://powerschool.muncysd.org/public/>
- Select the ‘Student Data’ icon on the left side of the screen
- Locate the four tabs at the top of the screen:

- Tab 1) Demographic Tab
- Tab 2) Contact Tab
- Tab 3) Emergency/Medical Tab
- Tab 4) Parent/Guardian Review Tab
- Review the information in Tabs 1, 2, and 3.
- Select Tab 4, 'Parent/Guardian Review'
- Use the dropdown box to select one of the following:

I have viewed the information and verify it is correct

OR

I have viewed the information and need to make changes

- If changes are needed, type them in the textbox.
- Select the 'Submit' button to send changes or verify information is correct.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or concerns by e-mailing the individuals listed below. We will continue to work as quickly as possible to answer individual inquiries.

1. For district related questions and concerns, please contact Linda Kneedler at lkneedler@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 2040
2. For high school related questions and concerns, please contact Nicole Edwards at nedwards@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 3220
3. For elementary school related questions and concerns, please contact Vickie Conner at vconner@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 1100
4. For special education related questions and concerns, please contact Cheryl Good at cgood@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 1250
5. For food service related questions and concerns, please contact Tom Kuntz at tkuntz@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 1120
6. For athletic related questions and concerns, please contact Curt Chilson at cchilson@muncysd.org or 570-546-3125 ext. 3630

Stay Safe, Stay Healthy, Stay Strong!

Sincerely,

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