Dear Parents and Guardians,

On Tuesday night, the Chicago Ridge School District 127.5 Board of Education was provided with an update on our 2020-2021 Return to School Plan. I have included a link to a recorded presentation, attached accompanying slides, and included a Roadmap to Reopening document. This information will also be included on the crsd127.5 website under the tab: Reopening Updates. We will also begin a FAQ document on the website for the frequently asked questions.

To start the 2020-2021 school year, parents will have the option of choosing between:

- **Hybrid Learning**—child attends school 2/3 days a week in classrooms of about 10-12 students and learn remotely on the alternating days; or
- **100% Remote Learning**—child learns exclusively from home five days a week

At the end of this message is a link to the form in which you will choose the option you prefer: Before you choose, it may be helpful to know the following information:

- **Hybrid Model Parent Communication**
- Under the hybrid model, students with last names beginning A-J will be assigned to Group A (attendance in-person on Mondays and Wednesdays). Students with last names beginning K-Z will be assigned to Group B (attendance in-person on Tuesdays and Thursdays). On Fridays, the groups will alternate in-person instruction. Please see the attached calendar. Students who begin in the Hybrid Model will have the opportunity to adjust to the 100% Remote option at any time during the trimester.
- **100% Remote Learning Parent Communication**
- Parents that chose the 100% Remote Learning Option will be unable to change before the end of the 1st trimester (November 6) due to staffing constraints.

To help reduce congestion, we would encourage families who are able to transport their own children to and from school to do so. However, if your child will be using the school bus in the fall, please be aware that protocols will be in place including assigned seats and mandatory mask wearing.

**PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM BY TUESDAY, AUGUST 4TH AT 3:00 PM.** You will need to fill out a form for each student in your family. If we do not receive a form by the deadline, we will assume your student will be participating in Hybrid Learning and assign them to a Group.

The first day of school for all students will be on Monday, August 24.

Please email your questions or concerns to athorns@crsd1275.org.

Please be aware that an increase in infections could result in school closures which may necessitate a shift from the hybrid model to remote learning for all students.
Thank you for your prompt attention to our request and for your continued support as we prepare for the coming school year.

Sincerely,
Dr. Adam Thorns,
Superintendent