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Dear Chesterfield Elementary School Community,

On Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, students will return to the building for in-person instruction at all grade levels. Today I will share several informational items to ensure all students and parents are informed and ready to return to school.

One of the most important items I address today is the Daily Health Form. The Daily Health Form is required to be submitted on the days your child attends in-person learning. For our kindergarten and first grade students in the Fully In-Person Instructional Model, this form will need to be submitted daily Monday-Friday. For our students in grades 2-6 in the Hybrid Instructional Model, this form will need to be submitted on the days your child attends in-person learning. The Daily Health Form is housed in Genesis and the "Forms Page" will immediately populate your screen when you login. Simply click on the form, complete it, and submit it. A text will be sent out each morning at approximately 7:30 AM to remind parents to submit the Daily Health Form. The Daily Health Form must be submitted before your child leaves the house or by 8:00 AM, whichever comes first. Any child whose parent did not submit the Daily Health Form will not be allowed into the classroom. There will be no exceptions. Please know that this important, daily requirement is for the health and safety for all students and staff. Your daily cooperation as parents is expected and appreciated.

Our school nurses, Mrs. Esposito and Mrs. Ramos, have developed a COVID-19 Reference Guide. The guide will be sent home tomorrow. However, the guide has also been added to our Virtual Learning Handbook which is on the district's homepage. The guide clearly explains what to look for when screening your child before they leave the house for school. The guide also outlines potential steps the district will take if we experience a positive case of COVID-19.

Information specific to student arrival and dismissal was sent out last week. I want to remind parents that student arrival and dismissal will require the cooperation of all students and staff. Please

adhere to the arrival and dismissal guidelines. I want to remind parents of the following arrival and dismissal guidelines:

#### Entrances

- Kindergarten students will enter the building through the gym doors on the left.
- First and second grade students will enter the building through the gym doors on the right.
- Third and fourth grade students will enter the building through the doors on the far left of the building near the sidewalk ramp.
- Fifth and sixth grade students will enter the building through the main entrance doors.

#### Arrival Times

- No student should arrive at school prior to 8:35 AM.
- Students with a last name beginning with the letter A-I, should arrive between 8:35 and 8:45 AM.
- Students with a last name beginning with the letter J-Q, should arrive between 8:45 and 8:55 AM.
- Students with a last name beginning with the letter R-A, should arrive between 8:55 and 9:00 AM.
- We will continue to use the staff parking lot for student drop-off in the morning, but the students will need to walk around to the front of the building to the assigned entrance doors.

Parents are asked not to congregate on the sidewalks around the school during student arrival or dismissal to allow for social distancing for our students. Parents are also reminded that a face covering is required while on school grounds. The arrival and dismissal procedures have been added to the Virtual Learning Handbook which can be found on the district homepage.

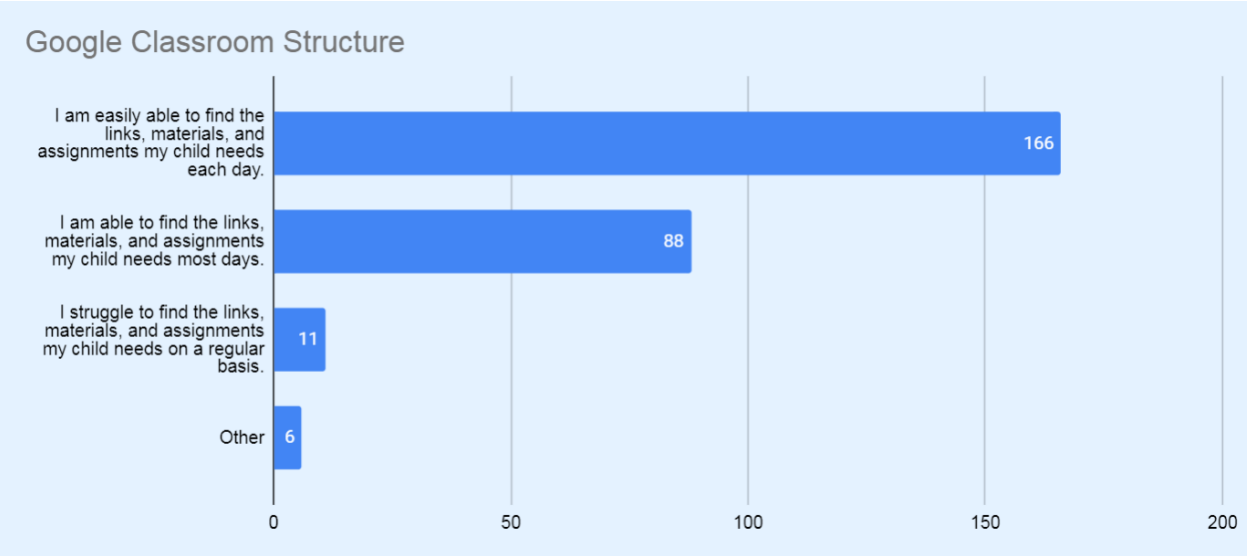
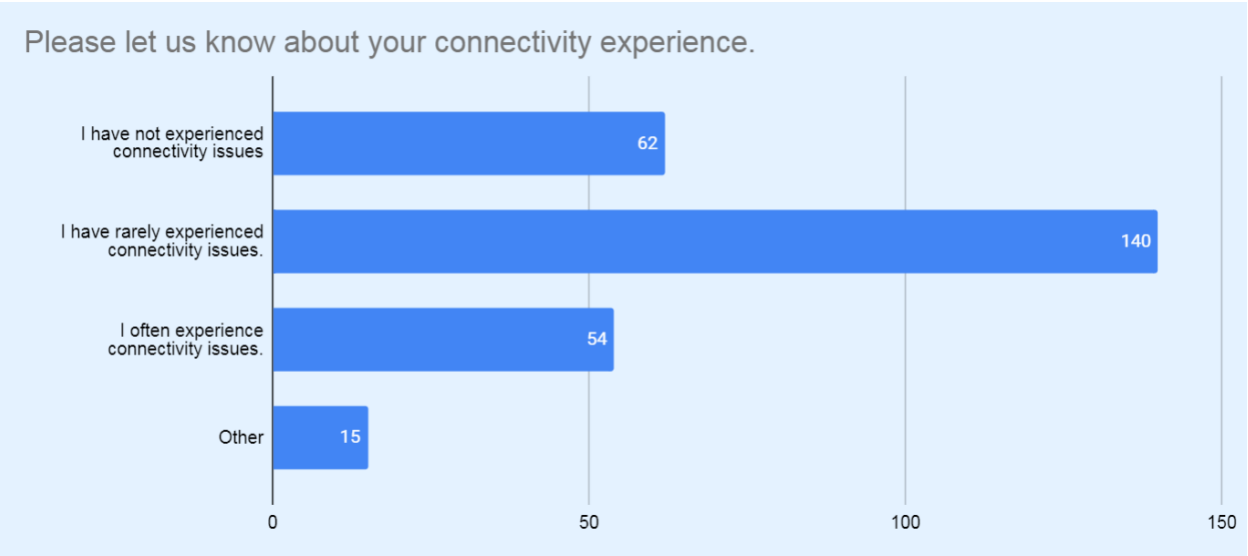
To help students and parents properly prepare for the return of in-person learning, we have developed a list of frequently asked questions (FAQ). To access the FAQ in the Virtual Learning Handbook, [please click here](#) and view page 7, section titled "Frequently Asked Questions: In-Person Learning Days". We have answered the following FAQ in the handbook:

1. Prior to COVID-19, many classrooms had a snack time. Will classrooms continue to have a snack time?
2. Will students be permitted to take their face covering off during the school day?
3. Is there a plan to keep students and staff healthy and safe when using the bathroom?
4. Will my child be permitted to wash their hands during the day?
5. Will I need to complete a health screening form confirming my child is symptom free on the days my child attends in-person learning?
6. Will the district hold monthly safety and fire drills as was required prior to the pandemic?
7. What will my child need to bring into the classroom on in-person learning days?
8. When my child is in the classroom on an in-person learning day, will they be on their Chromebook all day just as they are at home?
9. When will I receive my child's transportation information?
10. Will the district notify parents if there is a positive case of COVID-19 in the district?

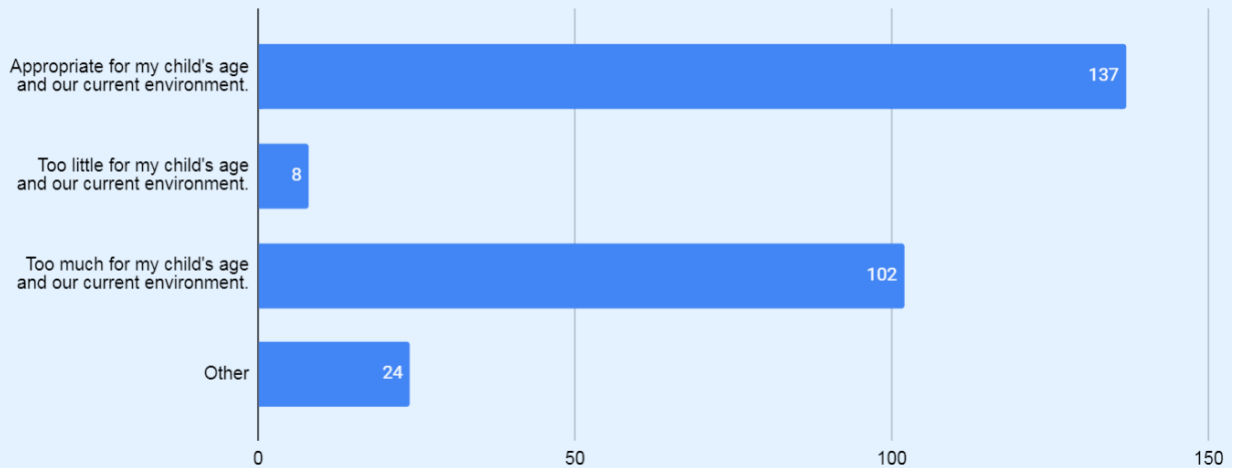
The district has developed several informational videos for parents and students to view prior to the first day of school. The videos are brief and demonstrate several new procedures that will be used as students begin in-person learning. The videos can be found on the district homepage.

Let's start the in-person learning days off with some Chesterfield Elementary School spirit with everyone wearing blue and gold on Monday and Tuesday!

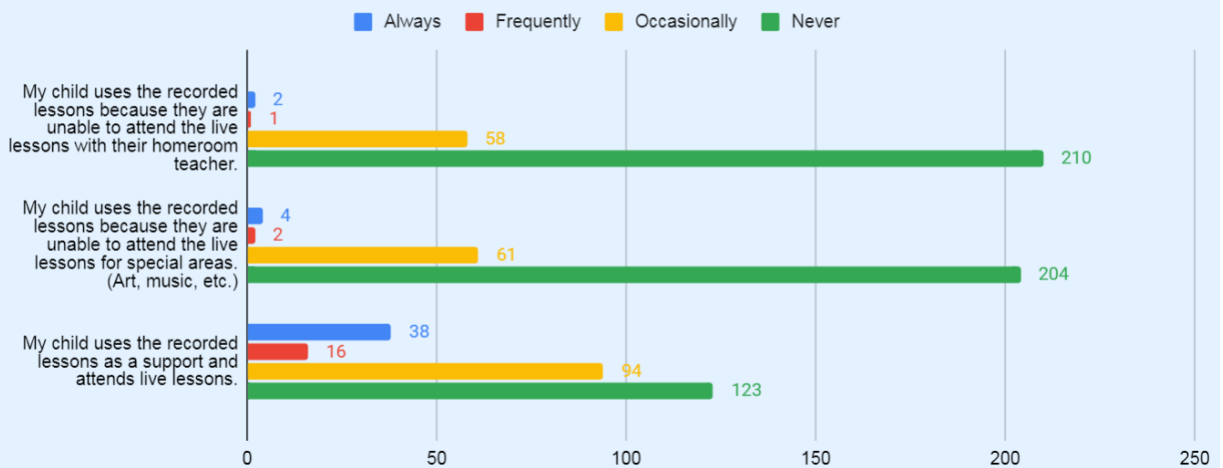
Last week I mentioned I would share the results of our September Parent Survey. Below are graphs that summarize the responses of the September Parent Survey. Again, thank you to all our parents who completed the survey. In addition to the responses that are represented in these two graphs, many parents submitted written comments. We are still working our way through those responses as we analyze the results of the survey. As I mentioned last week, your feedback will inform our decision-making as we move through the school year.



### The amount of screen time my child experiences on most days is



### Please tell us about your use of the recorded lessons.



We look forward to the start of in-person learning on Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. Remember, have your child wear school colors on Monday and Tuesday as we show our school spirit!

Sincerely,

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