



Return to Instruction Parent Survey - Report of Results

Bernards Township Board of Education Meeting, November 2, 2020

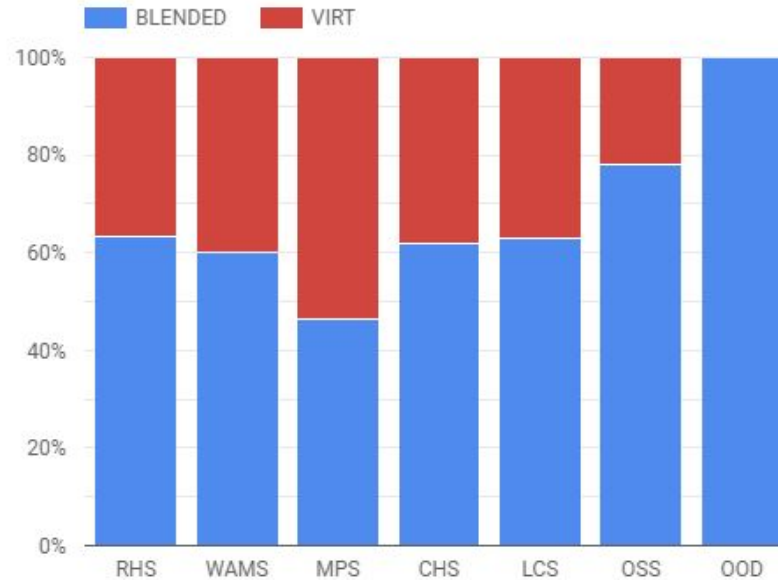


Current Snapshot of Virtual vs. Blended

Blended Students	Virtual Students
3,001	1,850
Blended Percentage	Virtual %
61.9%	38.1%
Total Number of Students	
4,851	



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Survey Results

Thank you to Mr. Grant Kolmer for using Data Studio to prepare summary tables of the survey data.

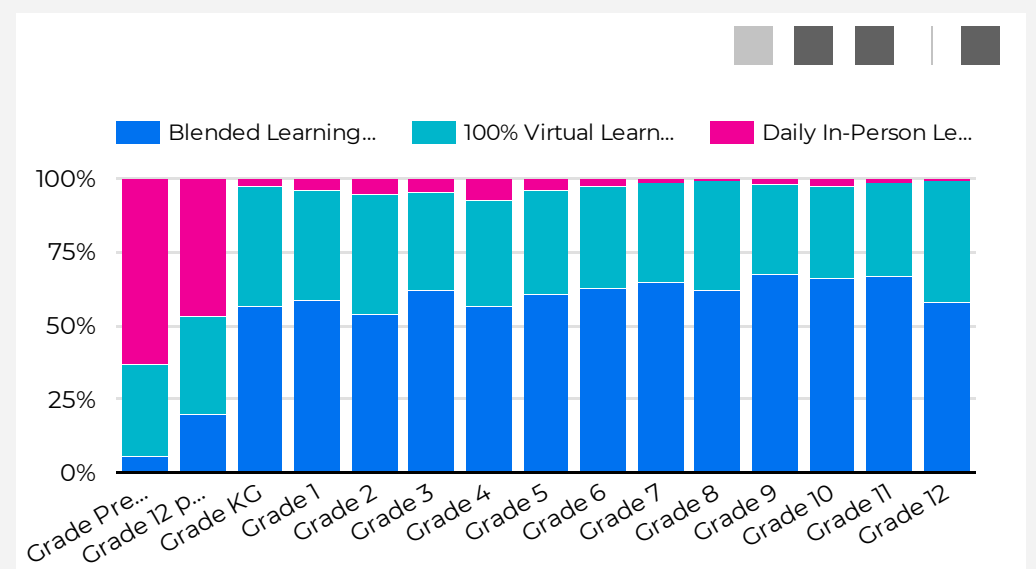
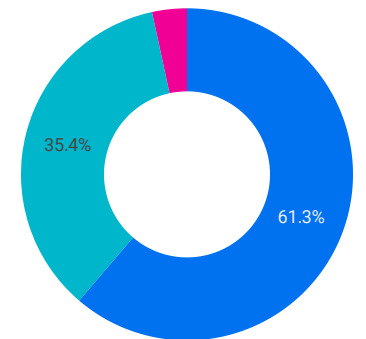
Summary of Responses Collected

Grade Level	Count	Percentage of Responses
Grade Preschool	19	0.5%
Grade 12 plus (IE vocational programs/CBAP)	15	0.4%
Grade KG	187	4.8%
Grade 1	211	5.4%
Grade 2	261	6.6%
Grade 3	248	6.3%
Grade 4	292	7.4%
Grade 5	299	7.6%
Grade 6	305	7.8%
Grade 7	311	7.9%
Grade 8	340	8.7%
Grade 9	360	9.2%
Grade 10	331	8.4%
Grade 11	374	9.5%
Grade 12	375	9.5%
Grand total	3,928	100.0%

Response Rate
80%

School ^	Count	Percentage of Responses
CHS	417	10.6%
LCS	365	9.3%
MPS	376	9.6%
OSS	359	9.1%
RHS	1,455	37.0%
WAMS	956	24.3%
Grand total	3,928	100.0%

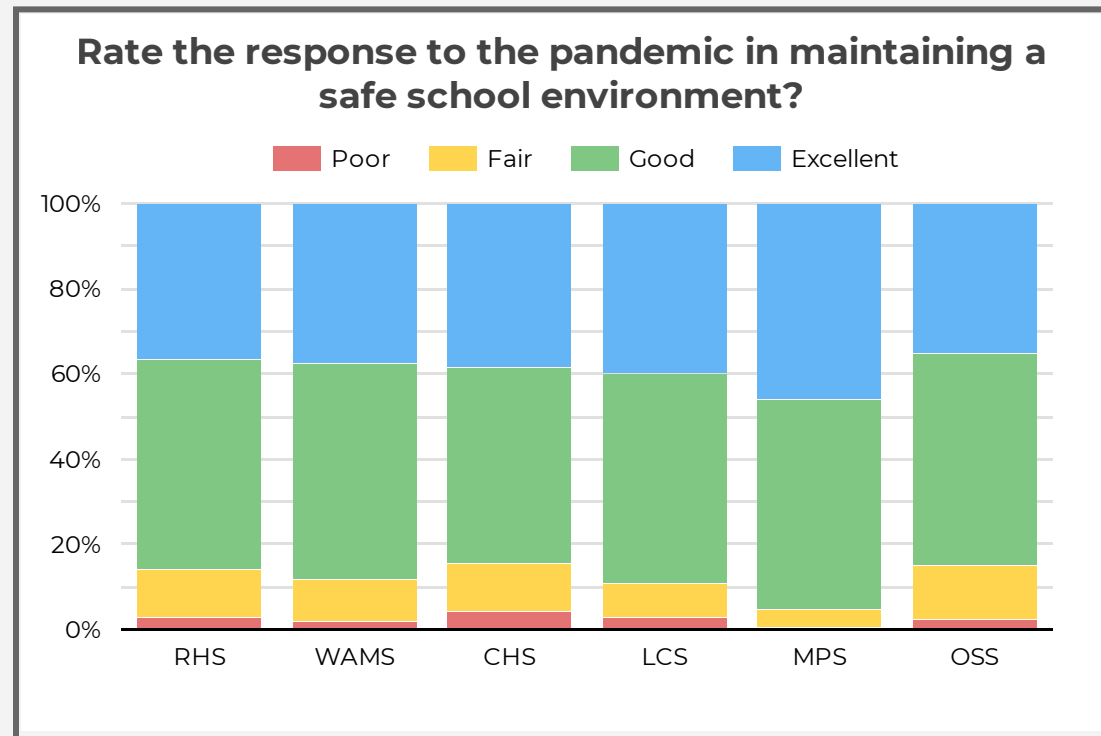
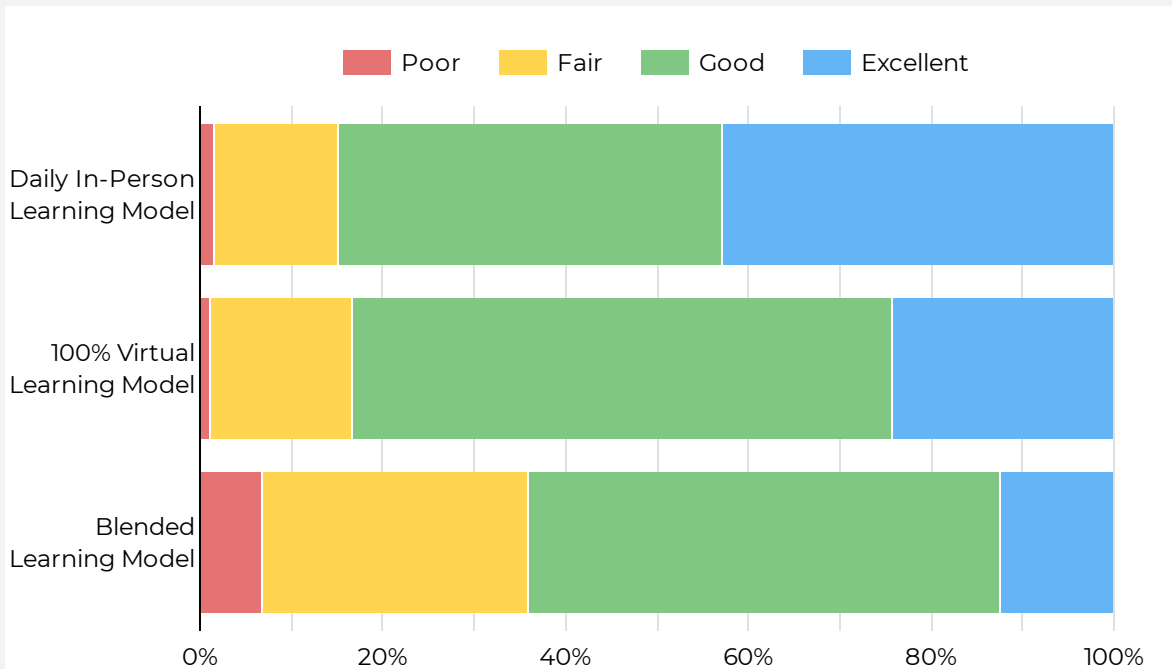
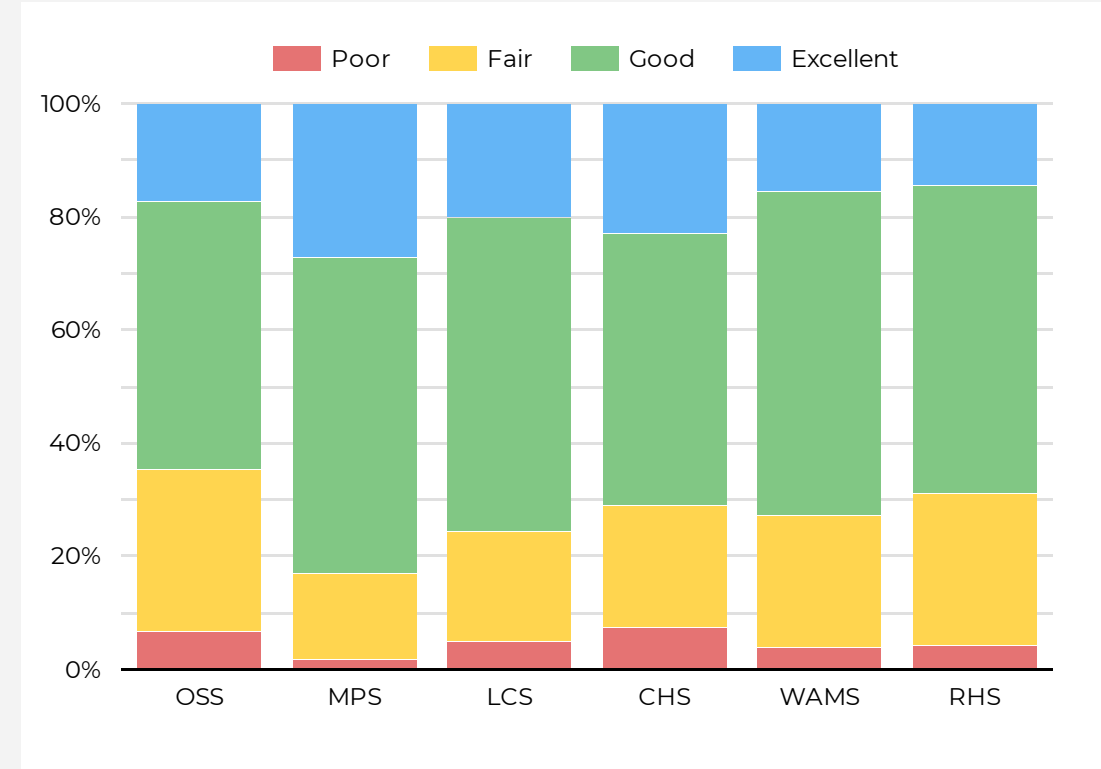
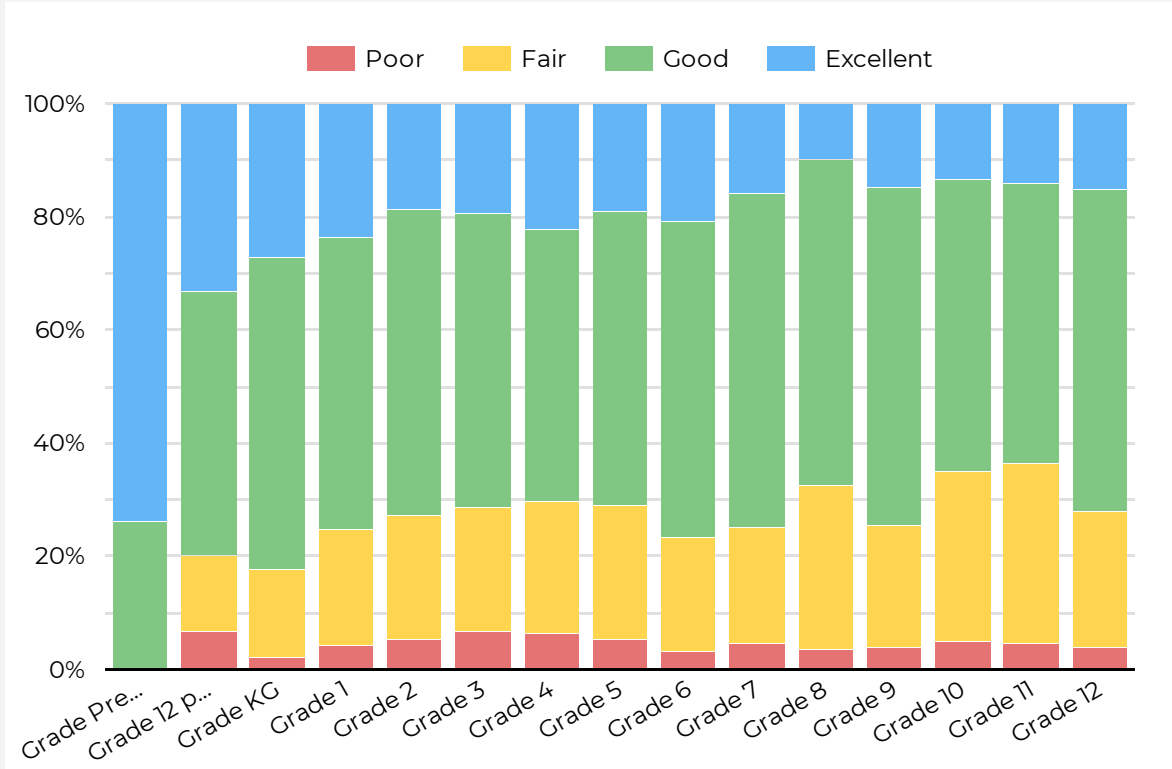
Learning Program ^	Count
100% Virtual Learning Model	1,389
Blended Learning Model	2,406
Daily In-Person Learning Model	133
Grand total	3,928



Based on what you and your child have experienced to date, how would you rate the educational program?

Filter by School ▾

Filter by Learning Pro... ▾

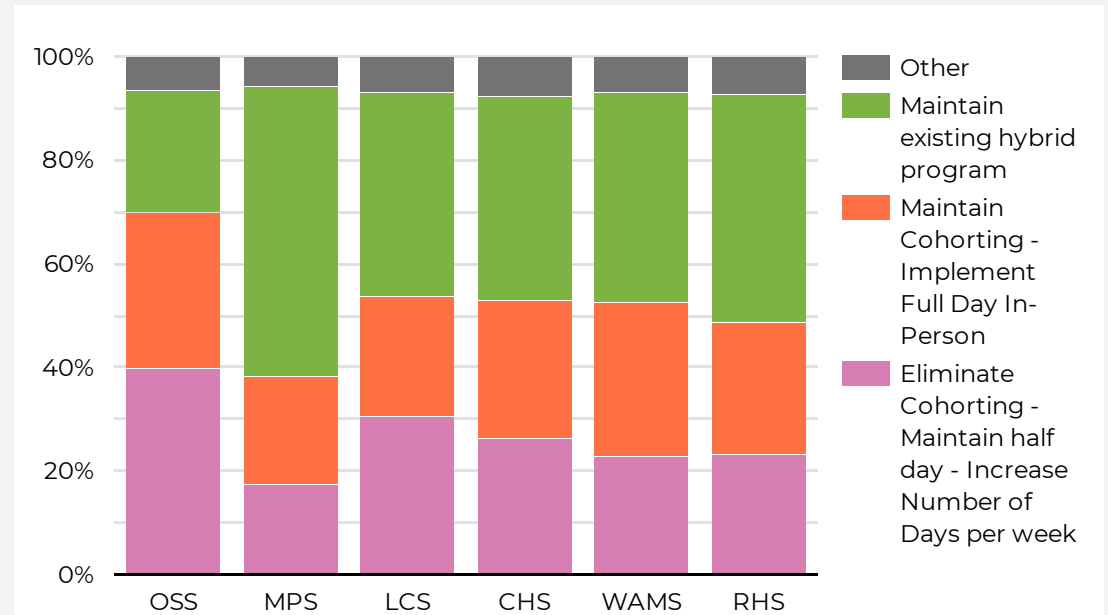
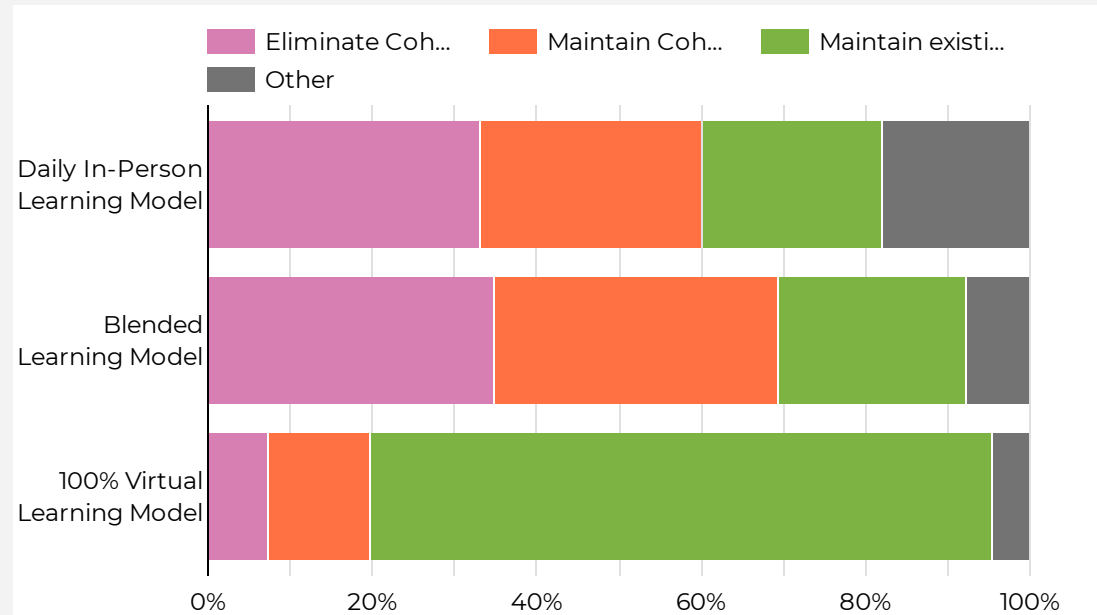
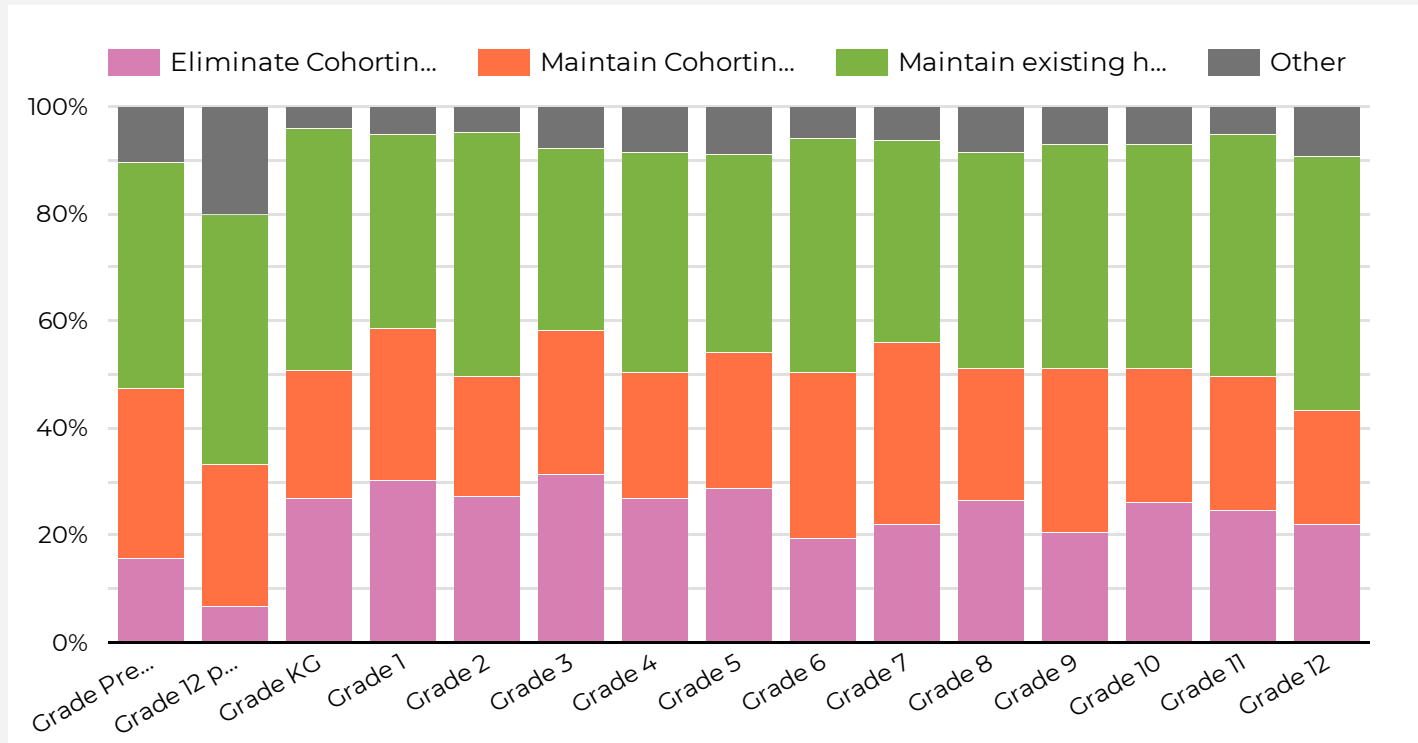


Which of the following statements best characterizes the direction you would like to see the district go as we move through the school year?

Response ▾	#	Percentage
Other	278	7.1%
Maintain existing hybrid program	1,630	41.5%
Maintain Cohorting - Implement Full Day In-Person	1,037	26.4%
Eliminate Cohorting - Maintain half day - Increase Number of Days per week	983	25.0%
Grand total	3,928	100.0%

Filter by School ▾

Filter for Current Learning Program ▾



In-Person Learning Model Alternatives

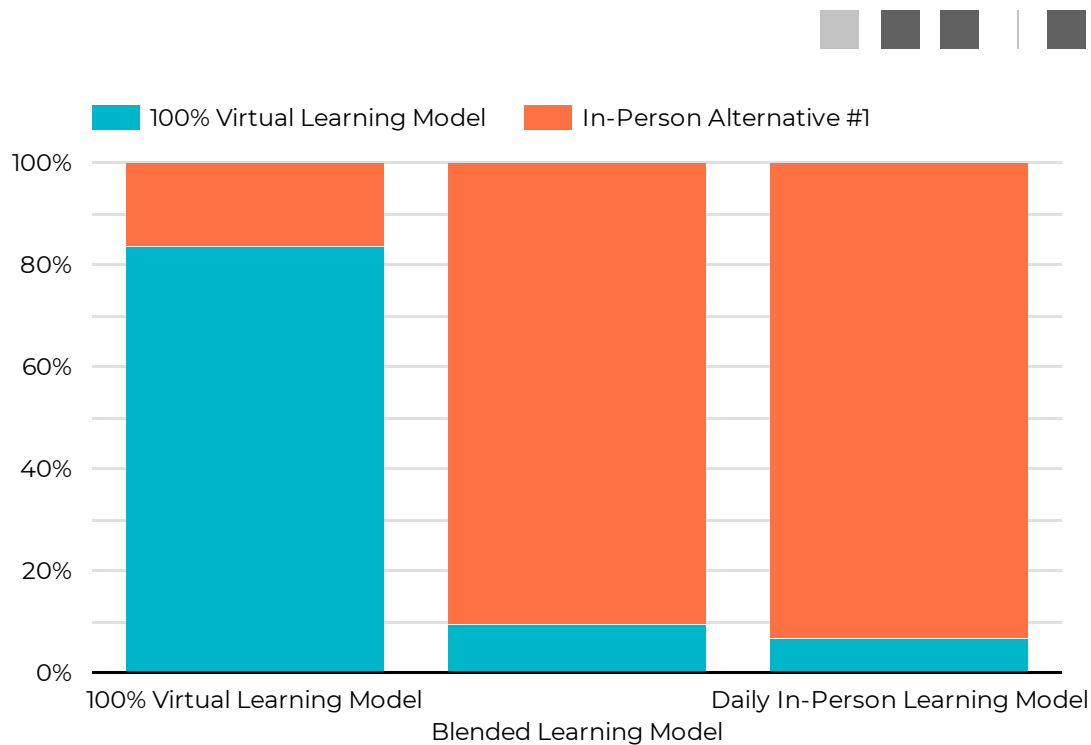
Please consider the two alternatives to the current in-person learning model listed below. Then respond to the two questions that follow.

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Filter Learning Progr... ▾

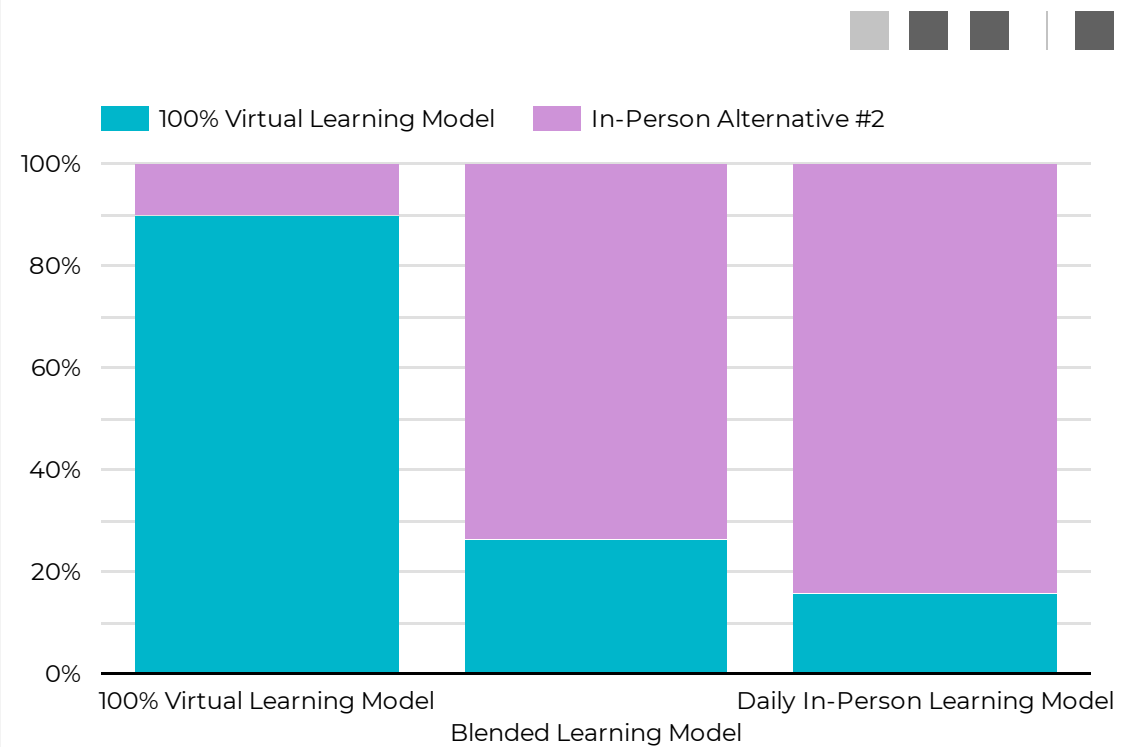
In-Person Alternative #1 (Maintain Cohorting - Implement Full Day In-Person):

Maintain the A-day/B-day cohort system but seek to implement full days of in-person instruction allowing for lunch (actual bell schedules and timing of school level implementation TBD). In this scenario students would still only come to school on their A-day or B-day but they would stay for the full day and eat lunch (which may well be a brown bag lunch depending on cafeteria start up).



In-Person Alternative #2 (Eliminate Cohorting - Maintain half day - Increase Number of Days per week):

Move toward the elimination of the cohort system starting with KG and working up through 12th grade over time, as conditions permit, continue with a shortened day to avoid lunches. In this scenario, in person instruction would occur every day for students in grades/schools where cohorting has been eliminated. Since students would be coming in simultaneously without the A-day/B-day cohorts, class size will go up and in most cases 6 feet of social distancing would be impossible - of course other safety strategies would continue to be emphasized.



Additional Questions

Does this child have adequate access to a computing device to participate in educational opportunities from the home (or other remote location from school)??

Percentage ▾

Yes	99.3%
No	0.7%

Does this child have adequate access to an internet connection to participate in educational opportunities from the home (or other remote location from school)?

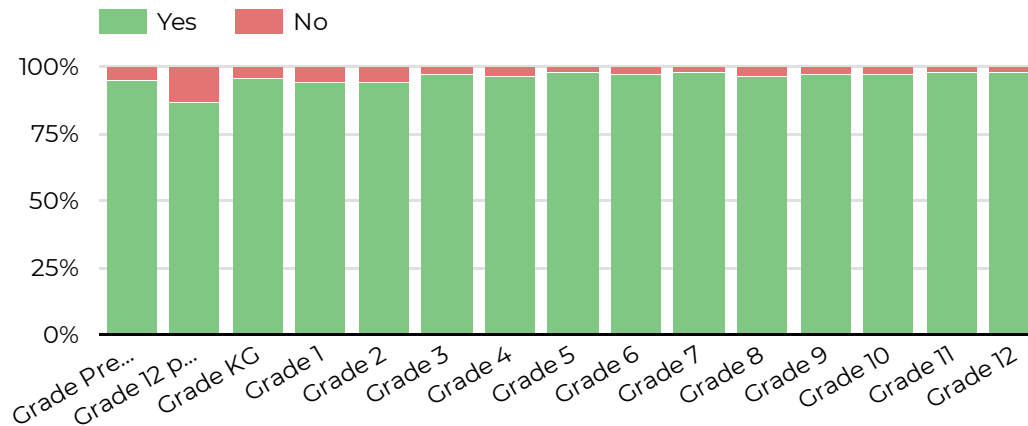
Percentage ▾


Yes	99.2%
No	0.8%

Do you feel this child has an appropriate work space for doing their school work when they are working from the home (or other remote location from school)?

Percentage ▾

Yes	96.7%
No	3.3%





If you could make ONE improvement to the educational program that your child is currently in, what would it be?

More live instruction when remote 369

Change instruction/schedule 376

Full time/full days/return to normal 250

Full days 186

Social/emotional needs 200

Positive comments 100

Special area related 73

Increase amount of instruction 72

Communication/Organization 63

Teacher/course specific issues 60

Less screen time 75

Workload (both more and less) 49 and 36

Breaks (both more and less) 26 and 44

Assessment related comment 28

Advisory/study hall or afternoon check-in related 41

Later start time 25

Special education related comment 24

Technology Issue 58

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Other singleton comments:

Challenges of virtual learning
Need a dedicated zoom teacher
Need Before/After Care
Other students are disruptive during remote learning
Virtual classes are too large
Maintain 100% Virtual Option
Need support for teachers
Safety concerns

If you could make ONE improvement to the — current health and safety protocols being used, what would it be?

Singleton or N/A 271

Simplify or enhance daily screening 161

Masks 145

Minimize student contact/lower class size anything to establish more social distance, keeping maximum social distance as an option via 100% virtual program 248

Safety practices are good, no suggestions for improvement 178

Clarify contact tracing/quarantine/medical procedures 101

If you could make ONE improvement to the — current health and safety protocols being used, what would it be?

Eliminate non-essential student interaction such as clubs, sports, other activities that bring students together in-person 27
Air quality/get outside 86
Increasing in-person time in school 131
Cleaning method or strategy to improve hygiene, sanitize, wash hands 81
SEL and mental need to be a priority 9



Which of the following statements best characterizes the direction you would like to see the district go as we move through the school year? Break down of “Other”.

Full time right now/return to normal - 89

Change schedule/change method of instruction - 22

Variations of the options offered - 47

Special Education-specific comment -16

All virtual - 23

Maintain 100% virtual option - 8

AM/PM Schedule - 19

Singleton comment or N/A -16

When conditions improve, move toward full time -12

Increase time somehow -17

**In the space provided below, please provide
— any thoughts or ideas for new alternative
programs that you would like to share.**

Full day instruction every day(in-person but if virtual make it full day) 211

Don't change anything/rising cases/happy 161

Singleton comment or N/A 154

General advocacy for more instructional time with teachers (virtual or in-person) 113

Current virtual learning is good/working well/safe, keep it through the pandemic, others endorsed that everyone should go all virtual 93

Safety comment: fresh air, masks, hygiene and barriers, don't reduce social distancing with Alternative #2 74

Alternative(Option) #1: Keep cohorting and go full day in-person 43

Alternative(Option) #2: Eliminate cohorting and stay on the abbreviated day schedule 40

Thank you 36

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Current blended model is good/working well/safe 35
Bring blended students in to school on Wednesdays 31
Hire more teachers to bring in-person students in daily and still keep class size low for social distancing 30
Eliminate lunch/study hall/gym/extra specials/advisory for core 30
SEL 28
Students come in every day but only in AM or PM to reduce class size 25
Make in-person cohorts go for a full week in person then a full week virtual 22
Meet special needs with in-person instruction 19
Distance learning is not working well 14

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Offer specials like music and art in-person 9
Teachers teach virtual or in-person but not both 8
Don't change my child's teacher 8
Use parent volunteers 8
Support the technical needs of teachers 6
Improve assessment for integrity and equity 6
Start school later 3



Going Forward

- Complete Staff and Student Surveys

- Take all survey data in to consideration and make recommendations at the next Board of Education meeting on November 23, 2020