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Ogdensburg Parents,

The Ogdensburg Reopening Plan can be found on our website under the Pandemic tab. Also please complete the short, three question survey also found in the Pandemic Tab. Please review the plan as it addresses the format that Ogdensburg school will be following to ensure the safety of the students and to ensure the students achieve the instruction needed. This plan will be updated to CDC, DOH and DOE Guideline change. The plan was developed by a committee of teachers, administration, the school nurse and the feedback that was received by you after computing the answers from our parent survey. A letter will follow within the next two weeks with drop off times, grade level entrances and students schedules. Please check the Pandemic tab regularly for updates and further school opening information.

This plan and the safety of the Ogdensburg school community will only be achieved if we all cooperate and follow the plan. Parents must drop their children off at their designated times and they **MUST** keep them home if they are not feeling well. Students must bring their masks with them each day. Should A student need a mask during the day, the school has secured surgical masks that will be provided. If six feet social distancing can not be maintained, students will be required to wear their masks. The water fountains will be only available for refilling students water bottles so please make sure your student has a refillable water bottle with them. Student lunches and recess will be staggered as well as bathroom breaks.

Classrooms will be set to maintain the social distance requirements and the teachers will be moving from classrooms instead of the students. Breaks will be established within the day to allow the students to stretch, go outside, wash their hands, and utilize the water refilling station/bathroom. When the students are moving, they must follow all safety guidelines which include masks and social

distancing. Stickers will be clearly spaced six feet apart and students must remain on the right side of the hallways while traveling.

Rooms will be sanitized during lunch periods and again every school night. Frequently touched areas will be cleaned and disinfected frequently on a daily basis. Lunch tables will be sanitized after every grade exits. Classroom ventilators have been or are scheduled to be updated, all filters have been changed and every room has been checked by our service company to ensure proper air flow. The district has purchased several new products to ensure the proper cleanliness and sanitation of the classroom and the school. Special wax has been applied to each classroom floor that combats bacteria, we will continue to use hospital grade wipes and sprays, we have several UV wands and three electrostatic guns for evening disinfecting.

The safety of our students and staff are at the forefront of our plan and will be maintained for the duration of the school year. If we all do our part, we will have a successful school year. We are all eager to have our students back at school but please know that at any given time we may need to go virtual due to the absence of a school nurse, the inability to adequately man a full staff, or several confirmed COVID cases amongst the students. We hope and pray that those situations do not occur but I understand that closing the school for any reason causes a burden to some families and wanted to make sure that I impress that back-up plans would be greatly encouraged. If you and your family are traveling please remember to follow all of the states quarantine requirements.

Again, we look forward to having the sounds of students in our school and can't wait to see their smiling face, even if it is behind a mask. We miss them so much. Should you have questions regarding the Reopening Plan, please feel free to email me. Please stay safe and hope to see you all soon. Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Dave Astor
Superintendent