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*Lead with respect, trust and courage.
Ensure an equitable, collaborative
and inclusive culture.
Enable all to achieve success.*

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2020-21 School Year Additional Information & Updates

MPS Families: As we continue to draw closer to the launch of the 2020-21 school year, please allow me to take a moment to thank you for your communications, your questions, your comments, and most importantly, your trust in Midland Public Schools for the education of your child(ren)! Please know this is a trust we do not take lightly or for granted! We are honored that you have chosen Midland Public Schools, even during these uncertain times. Below are a few updates about each of the three learning models MPS is offering for your child for the 2020-21 school year.

100% Face-to-Face 5-Days a Week Instruction Model

If your child(ren) attended a Midland PS school during the 2019-20 school year or is a new MPS student who has completed the registration process, your child(ren) is automatically registered and will have a "seat" in your home school for the 2020-21 school year for face-to-face instruction.

You do not need to do anything further at this time. You will receive elementary teacher assignment and middle/high school schedule information in mid to late August from your child(ren)'s school.

MPS Virtual Academy

Thank you to the families/students who have filled out the MPS Virtual Academy Registration Form. Your registration gave us a good indication of the staffing we will need for the 2020-21 Virtual and Face-to-Face Learning Models.

Here is some important additional information about final registration forms, dates and course selection for those families who are choosing MPS virtual instruction for the 2020-21 school year.

ELEMENTARY:

If you would like your elementary child to attend the MPS Virtual Academy, they will attend 100% on-line with an Midland PS instructor using the CANVAS Learning Management System.

It is imperative that you confirm their learning model by completing the Virtual School Confirmation or Withdrawal Form by the end of the day WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12. Here is the Link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf1tNuNDni4uhPN7T7TEGnlPAUeHbcNB4nz5p-lidRblAlb_Q/viewform

SECONDARY:

If your middle/high school student will attend the MPS Virtual Academy for the 2020-21 school year, they have two choices: 100% on-line or the MPS Hybrid Model with students taking some classes on-line and some classes in-person in MPS traditional classrooms.

- ⇒ We have been working feverishly to develop and publish the course catalog and were hoping to have it available for you on Friday of this week. However, it looks like Monday will be the day we will email the course catalog to MPS families.
- ⇒ Once you receive the Course Catalog and decide on the courses your child(ren) will take virtually and/or in person, **it is imperative that you confirm their learning model by completing the Virtual**

School Confirmation or Withdrawal Form by the end of the day WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12.

Here is the Link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf1tNuNDni4uhPN7T7TEGnlPAUeHbcNB4nz5p-lidRblAlb_Q/viewform

Whether your child attends the Elementary or Secondary MPS Virtual Academy, your completion of the Virtual School Confirmation or Withdrawal Form is your "FORMAL REGISTRATION" that your child will attend the MPS Virtual Academy. Once you complete that form, because of staffing, withdrawals either in or out of the Virtual Academy will not be possible until 2nd Semester.

Educationally yours,

Michael E. Sharrow, Superintendent