



VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

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Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Parents,

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Having just completed our seventh full week, it is evident that phase 1 and phase 2 of the Valley Stream 24 reopening has gone very well due to the combined efforts of all. With the installation of the desk shields providing additional protection, the procedures and protocols being followed consistently by all and the local infection rate remaining consistently low, we are ready to move forward to phase 3. In order to keep safety and health as our foremost priority, we continue to proceed with an optimistic but cautious approach.

In the hybrid model, K-3 students have been attending daily and doing so very successfully. We are now ready to have students in grades 4, 5, and 6 return to a full daily schedule on **Monday, November 9, 2020**. All protocols such as established arrival and dismissal procedures, classroom containment, limited movement through hallways, lunch in the classrooms, bathroom usage, and adherence to the 3 W's (wearing masks, washing hands and watching your distance) will be maintained.

Full remote students will continue with no changes.

Your building principal and your child's teacher will be communicating with you throughout the next two weeks about the building specific plans. Please feel free to reach out to your building principal if you have any questions at any point.

These continue to be very challenging times and VS24 has pulled together as it always does to do our best to meet the needs of our children. Your partnership and support as a parent are a significant contribution to our success as a district and as a community. My heartfelt thanks go out to each of you.

Stay safe and be well,

Dr. Don Sturz