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SLSD Parents and Guardians,

The Southern Lehigh School District is asking parents/guardians of **CURRENT KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS** to complete the following <u>survey</u> by <u>Friday, November 6</u>, <u>2020.</u> Parents/guardians of students enrolled in grades 1-12 will complete a separate survey.

Unlike other grade levels in the Southern Lehigh School District, the current Kindergarten enrollment coupled with the existing Kindergarten instructional spaces can accommodate a return to in-person instruction while still maintaining COVID-19 mitigation strategies like;

- 6 Feet of Social Distance in Instructional Spaces
- Face Covering (Covering the Mouth and Nose)
- Enhanced Hand Hygiene

This survey data will be used to determine how many Kindergarten families would be interested in returning for half-day, in-person instruction, 4 days per week. Friday's will still be reserved for asynchronous instruction. Students/families that are **NOT** interested in returning their Kindergarten student to either Liberty Bell or Hopewell for in-person Kindergarten instruction would still be able to elect enrollment in either the SLSD Fully Remote Model or the eLearn21 CyberLearning Model.

The information from this survey will be used to aid the logistical planning necessary as the District continues to navigate the operation during a global pandemic. Please know that the completion of this survey **DOES NOT** lock students/families into this selection. Rather this information is being gathered to provide as clear a picture as possible to aid the next planning steps. All subsequent determinations related to the ability to offer in-person learning for Kindergarten students will be dependent upon a combination of factors while adhering to up-to-date health and safety guidance and COVID-19 mitigation strategies from local, state, and national authorities.

We continue to value the ongoing support and partnership of our community and staff as we continue to plan for the upcoming school year.

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