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Dear BRCPS families,

It's hard to believe the school year is coming to an end. It did not end the way any of us expected, but we are so grateful for this community that continues to pull together and rise! We thank you for trusting us to educate your beautiful children and look forward to seeing everyone in the fall.

We know there are many questions about the reopening in the fall and I want to share with you what we know to date. We are expecting initial guidance next week from the Commissioner of Education about school reopening in September. I have been attending weekly meetings with the Commissioner since the closure and two things he has made consistently clear is that he wants schools to reopen and wants as many students to physically attend school as safely possible. He has also said the guidance that comes out next week will be the first of many over the summer, and will change based on the COVID situation.

This information may change over the next couple of months but this is what we know to date:

- School will likely reopen in a blended form, with options for both in person and remote learning;
- Masks will be required for students and staff at all times;
- All students and staff must maintain a social distance of 3-6 feet to the greatest extent possible

It's important to keep in mind that the reopening will be driven by the COVID situation in the state. We understand the uncertainty is difficult, but we have been working for the past month to prepare for the building to reopen to align with what we know so far. We will work all summer to follow the guidance as it comes out for a safe reopening.

We are asking all families to please check your email over the summer for information. We will share updates as we have them. If you received a Chromebook from the school you can return it when school reopens. I wish you a safe summer. Please take good care and I will be in touch throughout the summer.

Sincerely

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