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Colleagues,

Yesterday I was interviewed by the news media and asked about our plans for reopening schools in the fall. My response was that we are preparing for various scenarios and intend to open school based upon PDE guidelines and recommendations from our local Bucks County Health Department. We currently have six (6) committees working on each scenario that could be an option for the fall. These scenarios are an online, hybrid, and traditional format. We will be prepared to reopen under each any/all these scenarios if necessary. There are thirty (30) teachers represented on these various committees. The groups will continue to meet over the next few weeks to discuss and communicate teacher input on things we need to consider as we plan for the new school year.

I realize the news release sounded like a decision has already been made. My comments were directly linked to Dr. Damsker's recent letter from the Bucks County Department of Health (see link below). My intention was to express that we are preparing for many different possibilities for the fall with the hope of reopening our schools. No final decisions have been made and I assure you I will work closely with the CBEA to communicate our progress and plans throughout the summer. The work many of you did this past week was a beginning point that will help us formulate our decisions and your surveys are part of the input we will use as we continue to plan for the fall.. As you all realize this pandemic has been extraordinary and created situations that none of us anticipated. As we move forward, I will be certain to continue to communicate with all of you.

I apologize if the news release sounded as though a final decision had been made because final decisions have not been made and I ask that you remain patient as we continue our planning in the coming weeks/months. I am grateful for all your work and I am always available to discuss any concerns you may have at any time.

http://www.buckscounty.org/docs/default-source/public-information/bucks-county-school-reopening-guidance.pdf?sfvrsn=ef2b08ef_2

Stay Well,

John

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