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Consent Agenda Item (Action Item):

Discuss/Approve returning to Hybrid Instruction Date for the Floyd County School District.

Applicable State or Regulations:

KRS 162.90 General Powers and Duties of the Board

Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:

N/A

History/Background:

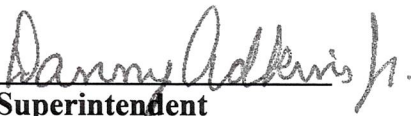
Governor Beshear recommended that In-person instruction begin no earlier than January 11, 2021. Within that recommendation he requested that districts which are considered Red and Orange on the Commonwealth Covid Map, would utilize Hybrid Instruction. The attached document contains four different start options for the Board of Education to consider as well as the recommended plan of action for how Hybrid Instruction will look for the Floyd County School District.

Recommended Action:

Approve a start date for Hybrid Instruction for the Floyd County School District.

Contact Person(s):

Danny Adkins, Superintendent


Superintendent

Date:

December 31, 2020

Floyd County School District

Return to School Options for January 2021

The Central Office Instructional Leadership Team, in addition to the Superintendent, have worked to develop a plan of re-entry for the students and staff of the Floyd County Schools in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order, dated December 18, 2020.

Please review the following proposals that will assist students with in-person learning:

	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4
Week of Jan 4-8	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual	Virtual
Hybrid Instruction	Begins Jan 11	Begins Jan 13	Begins Jan 19	All Instruction Remains Virtual
Schedule	A/B Days Mon & Weds (A Days) Tues & Thurs (B Days)	A/B Days Mon & Weds (A Days) Tues & Thurs (B Days)	A/B Days Mon & Weds (A Days) Tues & Thurs (B Days)	Virtual –Current Model
Fridays	Flex Day	Flex Day	Flex Day	Current Model
Instruction	Synchronous	Synchronous	Synchronous	Current Model
Online Instruction Option	Available	Available	Available	Current Model

Frequently Asked Questions?

1. What is Hybrid Instruction?

Hybrid Instruction divides students into two groups referred to in our model as Group A and Group B. Students will attend in-person instruction two days per week and utilize virtual instruction 3 days per week. Group A will attend school on Mondays and Wednesdays while Group B will attend school on Tuesday and Thursdays.

2. How will students be divided? Will siblings be able to attend school on the same days?

Groupings will be based on alphabetical divide. Group A will consist of students with last names beginning with the letters A-J. Group B will consist of students with last names beginning with the letters K-Z. In an effort to help students who live in blended families and do not fall in the grouping with their siblings, parents may contact the schools for assistance in regards to all students within a family attending school on the same days.

3. What is a Friday “Flex” Day?

Friday will be a flex day within the Floyd County Hybrid Model. Teachers and students will utilize Fridays in the following manners:

- A. Teachers will hold office hours to assist students in need of assistance, provide enrichment and extension opportunities through MTSS, meet through virtual PLC Meetings and plan for the next week of instruction.*
- B. Students will work on individual and group projects, complete assignments as well as complete enrichment and extension activities.*

4. What is synchronous instruction?

Synchronous Learning is defined as learning taking place either in-person or online at the same time. Student schedules will remain the same and students will log into instruction on their virtual days at the same times as if they were in-person.

- Students that wish to continue with online instruction will be allowed to do so. Schedules will remain similar to that of what their normal day would like if in-person. Note: The District through the MTSS Plan has a model for teachers and staff to utilize while working with students that have signed up to be virtual, but have not participated fully or are not participating fully with the virtual instruction method.*

5. Will everyone still wear masks and follow health and safety guidelines?

- All schools will continue to follow KDE's Healthy at School Guidelines which includes the following:*
 - 1. Social Distancing of 6 feet must be adhered to at all times within the classrooms, cafeteria... even while wearing a mask.*
 - 2. Cloth face coverings must be worn at all times while inside the building.*
 - 3. Screenings such as temperature checks will continued to be utilized. Students not meeting those screenings shall be excluded from school while sick.*
 - 4. Sanitation and environmental factors and plans will be followed.*
 - 5. Contact Tracing*
 - 6. Schools should continue to maintain any best practices that were in place prior to the end of in-person learning in late October, early November.*
 - 7. When Floyd County is "Red" as monitored by the state incidence map, students and teachers in grades K-8 will not transition between classes with the exception of Related Arts classes. When students' transition for related arts, students shall remain in their normal traveling group and not mixed between classrooms.*

6. Are students still allowed to remain learning virtually if parents are still concerned about the spread of the virus?

All students have that option. Schools have worked diligently to ensure all students have access to the curriculum while enrolled in virtual instruction. Students may still begin instruction virtually or in-person and make that switch. The District has asked that parents notify the schools in advance and provide a maximum of five days' notice while the switchover takes place.