RETURN TO SCHOOL TASK FORCE

- 21 member Task Force began meeting on June 26, 2020 (after ISBE’s first set of guidance was published).
  - District administration, building administrators, district directors, school nurses, Union leadership, two members of the Board of Education.
- To date, have had nine (9) separate meetings (4 hour sessions each).
- Reviewed the following in regard to plan development:
  - Two separate parent survey results
  - CDC guidelines
  - ISBE guidance documents (released on June 23 and July 23)
  - Information and feedback from other Will County administrators / school districts and the Regional Office of Education
  - Information, feedback, and concerns from teachers/staff at each school site
## School Options Parent Survey

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## School Options Parent Survey

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BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

• August 24-31, September 1: Teacher Institute Days / Remote Learning Planning Days (no students)
• August 31 and September 1: Kindergarten Meet and Greet
• September 2: First Day of School For Students in Grades 1st - 12th
• September 4: First Day of School For Kindergarten Students
• September 8: First Day of School for Peotone Preschool Students
PRESCHOOL SCHEDULE AND CLASS SIZE

- Peotone Preschool will follow their normal AM and PM schedule (2.5 hours per session).
- Students will attend school Monday – Thursday only. Fridays will be used to conduct Play Based Assessments, screenings, plan for instruction, deep clean toys and materials.
- Class size will be capped at 15, with enrollment priority given to returning students and children with special needs.
- Per ISBE guidance (June 23, 2020) “schools should consider prioritizing in-person instruction for students under the age of 13...”
PES SCHEDULE AND CLASS SIZE

- Students in grades K-3 will attend school 5 days per week, whether in-person or remotely, and engage in five (5) hours of instruction and learning.

- Students will attend an abbreviated in-person school day (3 hours and 45 minutes) as follows:
  - Peotone Elementary School: 8:20am-12:05pm
  - All students will be expected to engage in 1 hour and 15 minutes of remote learning each evening.
  - Teachers/staff will work a normal contractual day and be available to support students each afternoon (remotely or in person).

- Class sizes at PES will range from 12-18 students.

- Per ISBE guidance (June 23, 2020) “schools should consider prioritizing in-person instruction for students under the age of 13...”
PIC SCHEDULE AND CLASS SIZE

• Students in grades 4-5 will attend school 5 days per week, whether in-person or remotely, and engage in five (5) hours of instruction and learning.

• Students will attend an abbreviated in-person school day (3 hours and 45 minutes) as follows:
  • Peotone Intermediate Center: 7:45am-11:30pm
  • All students will be expected to engage in 1 hour and 15 minutes of remote learning each evening.
  • Teachers/staff will work a normal contractual day and be available to support students each afternoon (remotely or in person).

• Class sizes at PIC will range from 17-20 students.

• Per ISBE guidance (June 23, 2020) “schools should consider prioritizing in-person instruction for students under the age of 13...”
Students in grades 6-8 will attend school 5 days per week, whether in-person or remotely, and engage in five (5) hours of instruction and learning.

Students will attend an abbreviated in-person school day (3 hours and 45 minutes) as follows:

• Peotone Junior High School: 8:30am-12:15pm
• All students will be expected to engage in 1 hour and 15 minutes of remote learning each evening.
• Teachers/staff will work a normal contractual day and be available to support students each afternoon (remotely or in person).

Class sizes at PJHS will range from 10-23 students.

Per ISBE guidance (June 23, 2020) “schools should consider prioritizing in-person instruction for students under the age of 13...”
PHS SCHEDULE AND CLASS SIZE

- Students will follow an A/B Schedule and engage in five (5) hours of daily instruction and learning regardless of an in-person or remote day.

- Students will attend in-person instruction 2-3 days each week and engage in remote learning on the other school days.
  - Students will be assigned to A Group or B Group based on last name / household.
  - A Group will attend in-person instruction on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday one week while B Group will attend on Tuesday and Thursday of that same week (and flip schedules each subsequent week).
  - On days when students are fully remote, students are required to engage in five (5) hours of virtual learning.
PHS students will attend an abbreviated in-person school day (3 hours and 45 minutes) as follows:
- Peotone High School: 8:20am-12:05pm
- All students will be expected to engage in 1 hour and 15 minutes of remote learning each evening they are attending in-person instruction.
- Teachers/staff will work a normal contractual day and be available to support students each afternoon (remotely or in person).

Increased scheduling considerations, over and above the A/B schedule, may be made available to students in special populations (IEP, 504 Plan, EL).

KACC students will attend 5 days per week and are required to ride the bus.

Class sizes at PHS will range from 10-15 students.
• Per ISBE guidelines, districts need to “have plans for students who may need to receive full-time remote instruction due to a caregiver request, pre-existing health conditions, or living with individuals with pre-existing health conditions that deem them high-risk for COVID-19 related complications, even if the district is officially back to in-person learning”.

• We are requiring parents who request full remote learning to commit to at least the first semester (18 weeks) of the school year.

• Full remote learning will be a minimum of 5 hours of instruction and learning each day (both synchronous/real-time and asynchronous/self-paced).

• Daily student attendance is mandatory.

• Grading and assessment will be similar to that in the regular classroom.
· A grab-and-go lunch will be provided at the end of the school day to those students receiving free and reduced price school lunch, and will be available for purchase for all other students.
TRANSPORTATION

- Transportation will be provided for all eligible students.
  - Bus capacity will be limited to 50 occupants (per ISBE guidelines).
  - All students will be assigned a seat (students from the same household may sit together).
  - Bus drivers and students will be required to wear face coverings / masks while occupying the bus.
  - Students will be encouraged to practice social distancing at the bus stops.
  - Buses will be sanitized between routes to the greatest extent possible.
  - Windows will be open, as weather permits, to increase air flow and circulation.
  - Individual schools will communicate specific arrival and dismissal procedures for car riders, walkers, and drivers.
Though PJHS and PHS students will continue to attend PE during their regularly assigned class period, students will not change into PE uniforms (curriculum will be modified appropriately) and the locker rooms will be closed.

In order to prevent students from congregating in hallways, students will not use their hallway lockers (students will be allowed to carry backpacks).
The district has invested in the purchase of technology devices to support both in-person instruction and remote learning.

- Students at grades K-2 will be receiving a Lenovo 10e Chrome Tablet.
- Students at grades 3-12 will be receiving a Dell 3100 Chromebook.
- At this time, due to supply chain issues as well as US Customs regulations, delivery of all technology devices is delayed.
• Masks: The wearing of face coverings (masks) will be required of students and staff at all times (during arrival and dismissal, on school buses, and in all school buildings).

• Temperature Check: All students and staff will have their temperature taken upon arrival to school. Students who register a temperature of 100.4 or higher will have their parent contacted and be sent home.

• Social Distancing: Students and staff will maintain social distance from one another to the greatest extent possible. Signage will be placed throughout the schools to remind and encourage appropriate social distancing.

• Water Fountains: Traditional water fountains have been turned off, however, each building has been equipped with multiple water bottle filling stations.
The very act of sending a child to school is an act of self-certification.

By sending a child to school, parents are certifying the following:
- Student does not have a temperature above 100.4 degrees (non-medicated)
- Student does not have the following conditions related to COVID-19:
  - Dry cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Fatigue
  - Muscle or body aches
  - Headaches
  - New loss of taste or smell
  - Sore throat
  - Congestion or runny nose
  - Nausea or vomiting
  - Diarrhea

Students that are showing signs of COVID-19 during the school day will be sent to a quarantine area for further evaluation.
SCHOOL SANITATION

- The school district will follow all recommendations from CDC, IDPH, and ISBE for cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfecting buildings, classrooms, busses, and equipment. The district has hired additional custodians to assist in our daily cleaning and sanitizing efforts.

- The school district will utilize cleaning products that are known to combat COVID-19 and are approved by the EPA for safe use in schools.

- Cordless electrostatic sprayers, for quick and effective disinfecting, will be used regularly.

- Classrooms, restrooms, and frequently touched surfaces will be sanitized throughout the school day.

- All buildings will be cleaned and disinfected nightly.
RESPONSE TO COVID-19 INFECTION

- What happens when an individual presents COVID-19 symptoms during the school day, or tests positive for COVID-19?
  - The individual will be immediately separated (quarantined) from the rest of the school population and then sent home.
  - Return to school procedures, based on current CDC guidelines (next slide), will need to be met in order for the infected individual to return.
  - In compliance with ADA and FERPA guidelines, the district will notify those in close contact with the infected individual without identifying the sick individual or providing any personally identifiable information.
  - The classroom / work space that has been compromised will be cleaned and sanitized before students and staff are allowed to re-enter.
QUESTIONS?