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## LPS Families,

As we quickly get ready to close out the month of July, we wanted to share with you a few updates regarding our *Return to Learn* plans.

- We expect to receive some updated guidance pertaining to the reopening of schools from both the Clay County Public Health Center and the Kansas City, MO Health Department this week. This will assist us as we continue the work for planning for various scenarios for our students and staff to start the new school year. We hope to be able to provide you with an update early next week.
- We are pleased to report that we have now received a nearly 90% response to our *LPS Return to Learn Student Census* that officially closed this past weekend. Those who have not completed the census are being contacted this week as we strive to fully complete this process. As we stated recently, the purpose of the *Student Census* is to receive a commitment from families as to how you would like your child to receive instruction during the 2020-2021 school year either face-to-face instruction or virtual instruction. We can share with you today that approximately 80% of our families to date have committed to face-to-face learning. A one-page document has been developed to summarize the data and can be accessed by clicking here. Our district leadership team is now studying the data and will be working on building plans for all LPS campuses. It is our intention to be able to provide you with an update early next week that would include any possible adjustments we would need to make to our *LPS Return to Learn Plan* based on the *Student Census* data. We will also remain in close contact with our local health officials to make decisions based on the most recent guidance, with the top priority of keeping our students and staff safe and healthy.

We have received a high volume of questions in recent weeks regarding our *Return to Learn* planning. As you likely know, many of the questions being asked have yet to be answered, due to the need to receive *Student Census* data. It is our hope that many of the specific details regarding these plans will come into focus very soon. We thank you for your patience and flexibility as we continue to navigate through this pandemic. Please also continue to know that this situation remains extremely fluid, and we are prepared to pivot if/when it is required.

Have a nice evening, and be well!

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