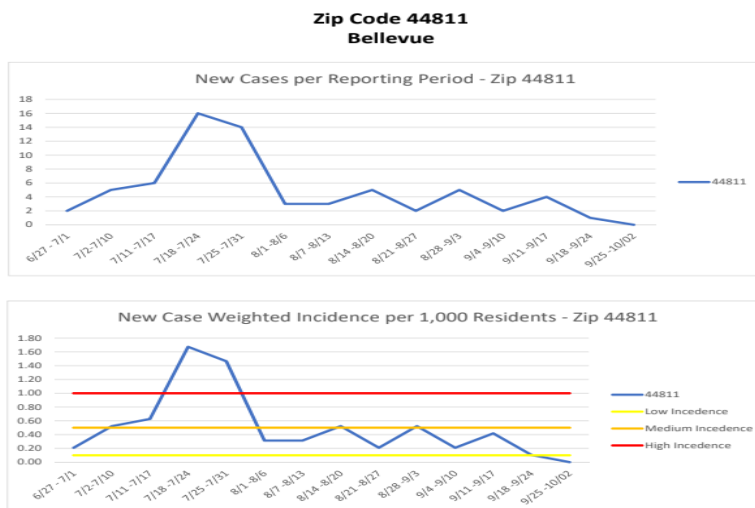


Hello Redmen Families,

Thank you for participating in our survey regarding a full return to school. Over 87% of our families prefer a full return to a five day schedule for our students. It is important to remember that COVID continues to make an impact on our community, state and country. Our continued diligence in following all safety protocols remain critical to minimize the spread of the virus. I appreciate your partnership during blended learning, which has given us the time to become confident in our protocols as well as our ability to identify and isolate COVID cases and illness in our schools. COVID is still among us but we are learning to live among it in order to give our students as many opportunities as possible during the pandemic. We are now receiving specific data regarding COVID outbreaks and continue to work with local health officials to know how these community outbreaks in our counties impact our school and all schools in our region. We are fortunate that our cases of COVID in Bellevue are currently very low. The current rise in cases in Huron Co are attributed to an outbreak at a long term care facility in Willard. Specific data about outbreaks in our county can be found at www.huroncohealth.com



All of this data, paired with our increasing confidence in managing the pandemic has led to the decision to make a full five day return to school beginning on *Tuesday October 20, 2020* for our students currently attending school in Blended Learning.

Monday October 19 will be a Remote Learning day so our teachers can make final preparations for a full return.

Students in all remote learning will have the opportunity to choose to return to in person learning for the 2nd quarter, Monday November 2, 2020 by contacting your child's principal.

We will continue to follow safety protocols and communicate with you if your child is exposed to anyone who has a confirmed case of COVID. We are working with our local health officials

to stay on top of our community data and they are also a critical part of our decision making team. We are not able to provide 6' of social distancing at all times in a full return model but will continue to social distance as much as we can. We know from area schools who have made a full five day return that this can be safely accomplished. We will also continue to wear face coverings, wash our hands frequently, and maintain all of the health and safety protocols we have put in place. We are hopeful that we will be able to remain in a full five day instructional model but we are prepared to switch to short term blended learning or remote learning as needed to combat possible outbreaks of COVID in our community until the pandemic comes to an end. Again, thank you for your collaboration and partnership during this challenging time. I have never felt more proud of our community, our staff, and especially our students as we have all worked together to overcome the challenges of the pandemic and make a safe return back to school.

Mrs. Schubert