



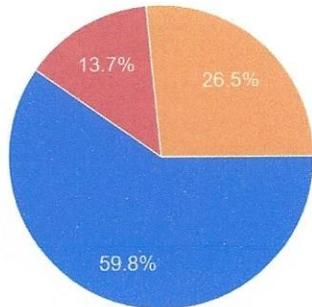
**Morgan County Schools Monthly Workshop Meeting
June 30, 2020 6:00 PM
Morgan County Schools - Central Office**

1. **Prayer**
2. **Pledge**
3. **Good News**
4. **Audience Participation**
5. **MCEA**
6. **Add Agenda Items**
7. **Approval of Agenda**
8. **Consent Agenda**
 - A. Next regular Board Meeting - July 7, 2020 6pm, Central Office
 - B. Next regular Workshop - July 28, 2020 6pm, Central Office
9. **FY21 GP Budget**
10. **K-12 CTE**
11. **MOU for youth organizations and school facilities**
12. **Permission for Food Service to bid out a holding cabinet**
13. **Permission for Food Service to bid out a freezer for Coalfield School**
14. **Approval to accept Save the Children \$20,000 Summer Feeding Grant**
15. **Parent survey results**
16. **Director's Announcements**
 - A. Summer Law - Gatlinburg, July 16 -18, 2020
Last date to cancel for refund is July 3rd
17. **Adjourn**

MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOL REOPENING SURVEY RESULTS 1,630 RESPONSES

Which way would you most prefer schools to reopen in 2020-2021? (Select one answer.)

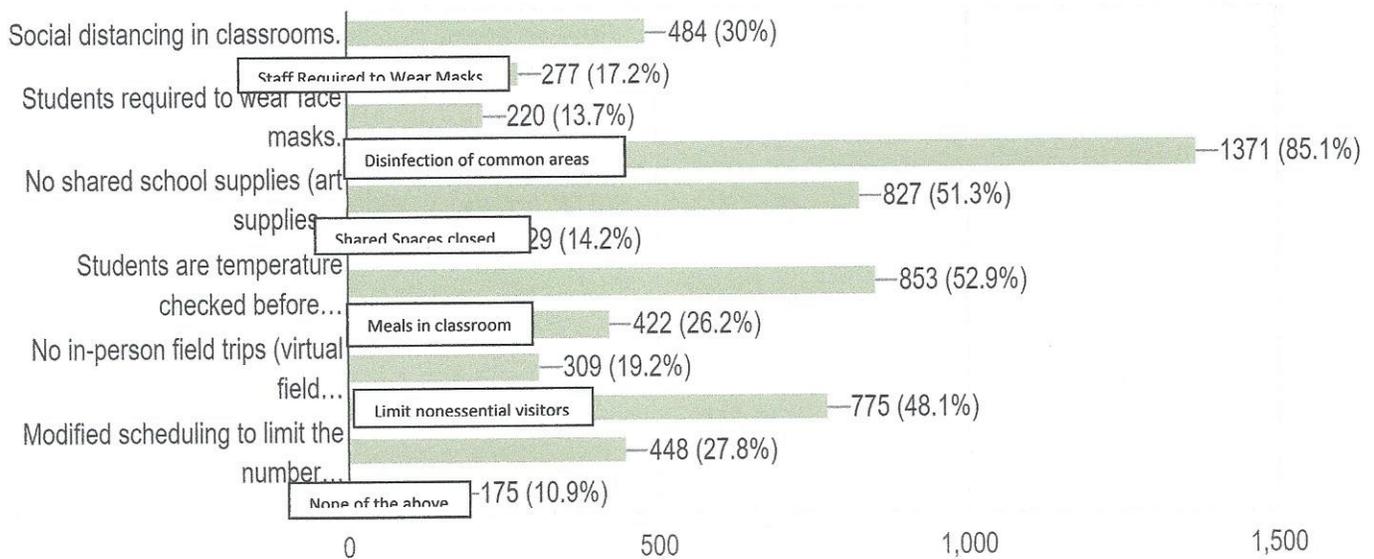
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- Physically in the school building with safety measures applied.
- Fully distant learning with content delivered remotely (Google classroom, academic work packets, or other means of remote/virtual learning). This would also include no extra curricular activities conducted in school buildings.
- A combination of options A and B with students participating in school physically and remotely.

Assuming students are physically present in the school building, what are the minimum safety measures you would like to see in 2020-2021? (Check all that apply.)

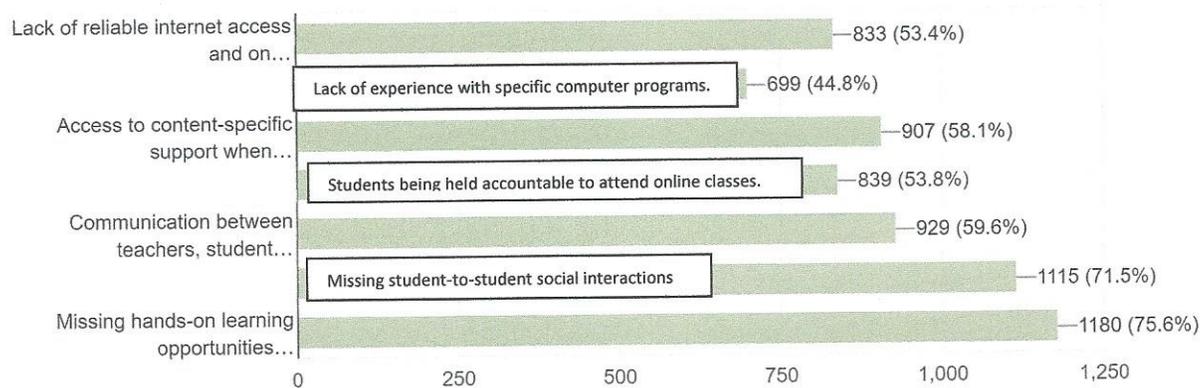
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Lack of experience with specific computer programs. Students being held accountable to attend online classes.

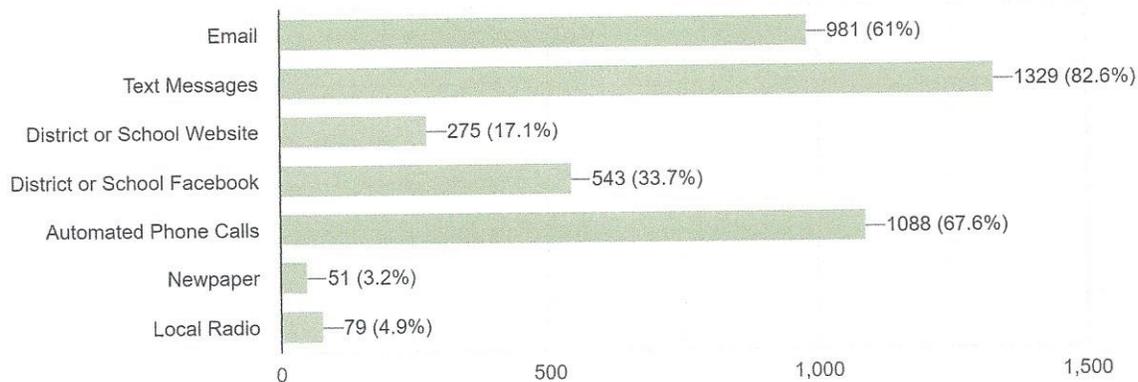
Which of the following topics regarding remote learning concern you? (Check all that apply.)

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Which of the following methods of communication with Morgan County Schools do you rely on the most? (Check all that apply.)

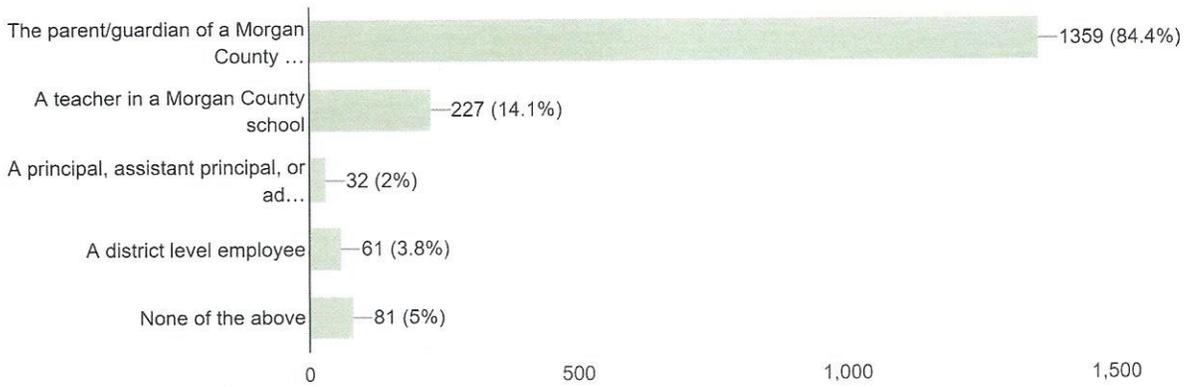
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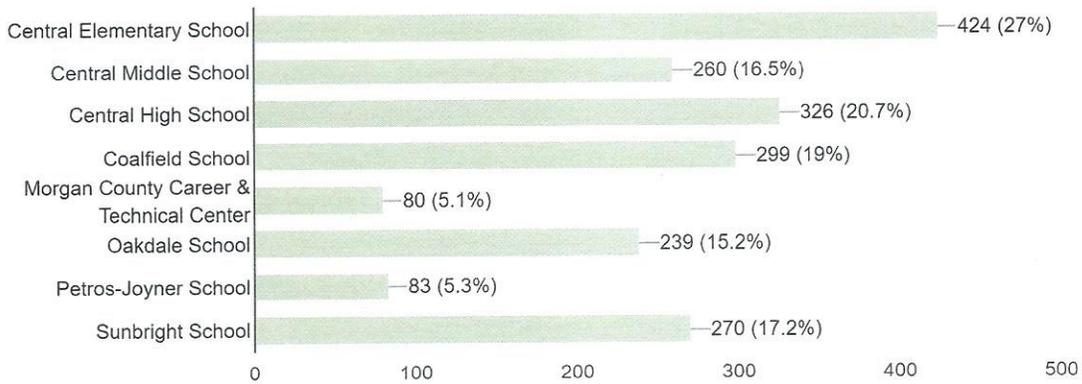
Which category best describes you? (Check all that apply.)

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What school will you or your student(s) be enrolled/work in 2020-21. (Check all that apply.)

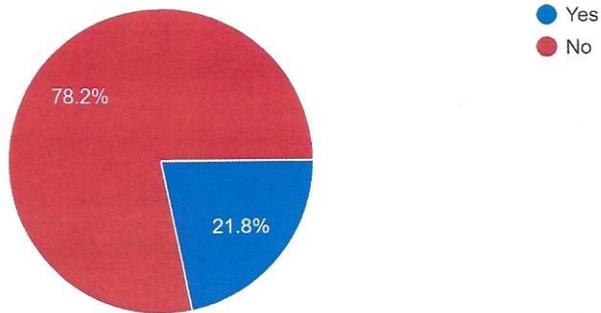
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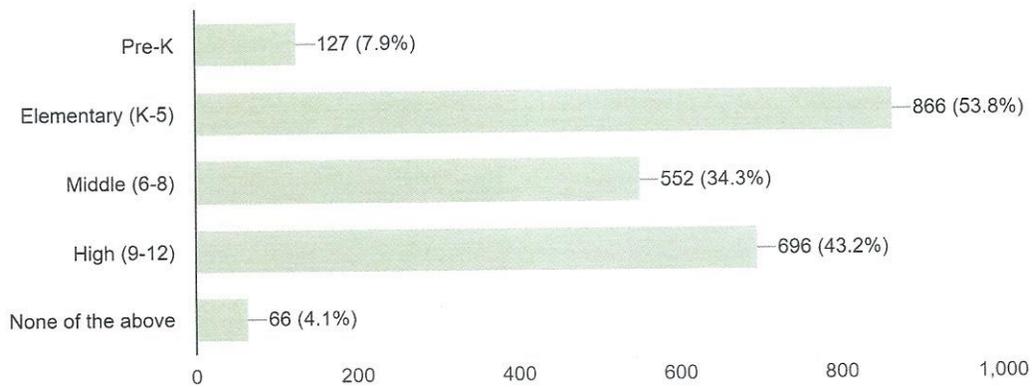
My student receives services through Special Education, a 504 Plan, or ESL (including speech, occupational, and physical therapies).

1,536 responses



In which grade bands will you or your student(s) be enrolled/work in 2020-2021? (Check all that apply.)

1,611 responses



Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.
Get things back to normal!
My child will not be coming to school if required to wear a face mask all day.
There's really no way to open schools and be safe. A lot of parents see school as a babysitter and they will send them sick or not.
I think schools should open back up and go back to normal activities.
It will benefit the students to have interaction with other students.
I have more than one child enrolled in school and these kids have already missed alot of learning this year from school being closed
Open the school
If there is online schooling, it has to be more than just google classroom. There must be some instruction provided by teachers either by Zoom or some other platform. Would also allow kids to engage with each other.
Open school!!!
The kids are going to be exposed to covid 19 one way or another. They need to return to school as normal as possible.
I think the home schooling is better for then after having to do it this year. They enjoyed it more and learned things they wouldn't have in class
I feel remote learning is hard as alot of students dont have access to computers or internet at home and if they have computers they have more than one kid limiting the amount of learning time
For the safety of my child & our family I feel that if distance learning is not an option I will have to homeschool my child the 20-21 school year.
My children have autism and adhd and its not possible for me to homeschool them, as i work from home. They must return to school with comstant guidance to maintain grades
Return to as close to normal as we can. No delays.
Kids need to be in school. Clean and disinfect and monitor kids for illness.
The only concern I have with online class is my child struggles with math classes. She needs some one on one to help her through.
If any student has a family member that has or had the virus, they need tested before the school year starts and submit results.
I will not allow my child to go back to school until this virus is gone completely. I know that we can not keep kids apart in school. That's why we must teach them remotely.
Should school resume in August, I will be homeschooling my child.
If the schools physically reopen with students in the building, I would still like to see an option for our medically sensitive students to participate via distance learning.
I think the day should be shorter. No electives, only what's needed.
My children are struggling without in person school and activities. We have to MOVE ON!
I have a child with special needs. He gets sick to easy. I don't believe he will be attending school in person.
Everything is so uncertain and little is still understood about the virus. When flu season and schools starts back it will be hard. Kids will have to miss regardless, because they will need to be tested if they get sick. So a min. Of two days will be missed regardless. If it does spread typically with the flu students are out a week, but with this they could end up missing up to 14 days which could really put kids behind. It's really just a hard decision. I respect whatever the school system decides to do. Thank you.
I think this has been way overblown.
Don't make the kids wear masks. It affects their breathing and isn't healthy. Keeping small kids confined to 1 room will cause behavior problems. I honestly think running like normal (before all this crap) is best for all involved. Home schooling is hard on working single parents when they aren't able to be there enough to make them do their work. A lot of grandparents are too restricted age wise with today's technology and can't help. Also lots of people have no or limited access to the internet.. Thank you for letting us voice our opinions.
My oldest daughter has an IEP in place and attends some special education classes.

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

Go back to normal people get sick that's life happens every day what's the difference between the flu and this virus you're depriving our kids of their education

My kids are immunocompromised.

I personally think in reopening school should continue on as it has in recent years, I will not have my child going back to public schools if she has to wear a mask and can't socialize with other kids. Wearing a mask is doing more harm than good.

I dont have the education to help with my son....and resources arent always available

Kids need to be in school. Clean and disinfect and monitor kids for illness.

Have hand sanitizer in classrooms and require periodic use by students and staff, as a minimum whenever anyone enters the room. Thank you!

Schools should reopen and normalcy should ensue.

My son will not wear a mask during 8 hours of school. I think that while trying to learn and listen to teachers wearing mask it will be hard for the students to understand what the teachers are teaching

I think this is all being blown out of portion

I most definitely want our kids to be safe; however, as a teacher and parent I am nervous about distance learning. I teach kindergarten and I just don't know how that will work online or social distancing in a classroom. I will also not only be teaching my own class I will be teaching my 2 kids (1st grade & 6th grade). I just don't know how I will be able to efficiently do all of that. I know our county will do what's best for our kids & i am nervous about this unknown time to come.

I think we should go back without mask. The desk and door handles need to be disinfected daily.

Not all teachers are as active as others. My sons teacher wasn't as involved as others (like my nephews teacher for example) when this pandemic started home schooling isn't an option for us for that reason. I cannot homeschool my child and having an online curriculum wouldn't work for us do to our home life. My sons attention span to be in front of a computer to learn will only hurt him as he is a hands on learner and needs in person learning. Please please don't close the school due to this it is possible to reopen safely and not due damage to those kids education that needs to be in an actual classroom to be successful.

That children will be attending while they are contagious.

If you think for one minute that kids will wear a mask in school for 8 hours a day, you all are more delusional than I thought. And for the record, highland internet WILL NOT support every kid in the county streaming online to do school work every day. So that monopoly will have to be done away with in order to bring in outside carriers to be capable to do this. Which every resident knows WILL NOT happen !!

Perhaps half class come alternate days M,T and other half W,TH and remote on Friday. That way you have same group 2 days in a row. Read about this in an article. No idea if its feasible, but would be easier for social distancing.

Distant learning proves to be very complicated for families that have 1 or 2 children and both parents working. It is even more difficult for larger families that have parents working outside the home. It is complicated to keep up with lessons and what is completed or not completed. Assuming most people with at least 30 minutes away from their home, that is at least an 8 hour workday and a minimum drive time of 1 hr added to that. For some it is even more. That is extra stress and burdens on parents that is not needed. It is extremely frustrating for both the caregivers and student. Also, young people need to interaction with people outside their family. It is part of becoming well-rounded adults and learning how to deal with different personalities.

If we have in school classes, will stakeholders be held accountable for leadership in the protocol this time (as opposed to the week in May)? What about students and staff who have health issues and/ or care for those who do?

I believe that students should be able to go back to school and be children. Yes, clean more and take certain precautions but not to the extreme. Asking children to go to school but taking all the things they love away will not make for a successful school year.

Complete online education is a struggle for college students at times. I believe relying on that platform as a plan a would be detrimental to many of our students. Using distance learning in a "have to situation" needs to be implemented in a way that allows for virtual class meetings in some way. This problem will be magnified by the lack of reliable internet for students.

To much risk for students and staff to be that close no way possible to practice social distances

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

School needs to be restarted on its regular schedule. Not because of parents trying to get rid of their children, but for some students school is their break from adults, their time to play with friends their own age and to have discipline and activities provided by someone other than their parents.

To not return to school in a normal fashion will hinder our children from learning. They need the social interaction as well as hands on input from their teachers.

If school is going to be open than it needs to be opened like usual, except maybe some extra cleaning because that never hurts. Time for things to be normal again!

Proceed with all school and athletic events as normal

I feel like we should reopen just make sure to clean/disinfect well and not share items.

I am a single mom of three and can not teach my children at home nor do I have help I can get to do so. My kids need to be with their friends and away from family to be taught skills not done at home. If I wanted to teach I would have gone to school to be a teacher. Let our kids go back to normal life!

Kids need to return to school. They need interaction, scheduled and teachers to teach

I feel it's not safe at this time for students to return. It might be by August but with the current numbers climbing it's not right now. I would prefer a delayed start to the year than to start remotely. I feel that would be really hard on students moving to remote learning with teachers they haven't had before.

Children need hands on hands schooling with teachers some parents work and can't do the schooling themselves

While I understand the health concerns, these kids rely heavily on the in school personal relations and guidance. I'm greatly concerned on the future well being of our kids if never returning back to the real world.

With proper precautions, school needs to return to as normal a schedule as possible, and if recommended guidelines do not allow that, then students need to be able to take chromebooks home, and internet service options need to be offered, like grants for hot spots or optional times to use school wifi.

This was one of the hardest forms to fill out. I feel that there has been so much ignorance surrounding Covid 19. I have personally known 4 people who have died but because it is not in are area people do not think it's an issue. I know for a fact, and seen first hand, how our parents "drug" up sick kids and still send them to school. I want my children safe but not exactly sure the recommendations are even practical! With that said, I about went crazy trying to teach my own kids! I know I want my children safe but you guys have a huge and hard decision in front of you. I pray for your guidance on this decision.

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

I don't feel as if my children should be in harms way at all, I would much rather prefer if they sent home chrome books and supplies for children to safely attend class room teachings and not be at risk.

Masks on children would be stupid and nothing but problems. You don't have enough buses to do one kid per seat every other seat, ridiculous. Kids can't be expected to NOT play with each other! Kids can be spaced in a desk but not in halls and restrooms. To me all of this stuff is ridiculous. The Who already took back and retracted alot of this stuff that caused this to begin with! Our county had very minimal cases. All the cases have been expanded and exploited for an agenda! The sit at home schooling was a fail and I know it was. Most of the kids I know their parents never picked up one learning packet! I CANNOT help my child with commonsensless common core because I was taught the smart way. That is enough to make ALL parents lose their minds. Thank you for hearing me on this. I will NOT send my child back in a mask and segregated from ALL things that school is supposed to be. Eating lunch in class? Come on...

My main concern is that my child has half of classes with vocational school. He is a hands on learner and loves the classes there. He doesnt do well with all the computer based learning stuff. He is not going to college and plans on going into diesel mechanics through a vocational school. I dont know how this school year is going to be able to meet his needs.

I think the kids need to be in school..I think this is important for social and academic progress.i feel we can send them back and just use common Sense protocols like temp checks, time schedule at the end of every class and /or activities for teachers to make sure all kids are washing hands at the end of each class, janitorial staff disinfect alot.. ect..we can't keep putting life on hold..we have to get back to normal and be safe..I do feel that attendance should not be monitored during this transition because if a child has a cough don't send them to school like before..we need a "stay at home if your sick in any way" rule enforced at least untill things are back to normal.

No school until we have the vaccines of covid19.

Good way to spread the covid 19 if school does reopen I will do home schooling

Having a child with a weakened immune system played a huge part in my answers. I look at things differently because he can't afford to get something as serious as COVID-19

No school until we have the vaccines of covid19.

We are working parents. We fully support the school opening back up 2020-2021.

I think the students should go back to school and have hands on learning and get the attention an teaching they need. My husband and I both work full time jobs 8 hrs a day. We would not be giving our child the teaching ability that she would need to have in the classroom. That would be very stressful.

Would like to know how dual enrollment will work also for students

Send them back

Get back in school

My husband and I work full time jobs. It is hard for us to do home based learning. We have 3 children and no-one to assist with home learning. I believe it is essential for our children to be taught in a group setting with peers and hands on learning. They deserve life to be as normal as possible during this time. They miss their friends and teachers.

Kids needs their therapies for optimal function and that is best provided in person. Our children need to return to school

If children are required to wear mask, I will home school our children.

We need to stop all the nonsense and get back to normal. We've been had by our own government and anybody using their brain knows it!!

I would like to wait as long as possible to reopen school. We are still distancing ourselves and wearing mask in public.

I believe hand washing and proper practice of daily hygiene is an issue that our school has always struggled with. I also understand school support staff cannot possibly clean every classroom and common area daily. However, I believe our students could aide in disinfecting their desk, cafeteria table, gym equipment, ect to help combat with all viruses/ germs

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I feel like online learning is the best possible solution. My 7th grader is immune compromised.

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

We need to stop all the nonsense and get back to normal. We've been had by our own government and anybody using their brain knows it!!

A major concern is with me having to work a full time job and being able to properly do any type of remote learning with my child will be a very hard task to accomplish throughly. Even with the short time that we had online classes at the end of the 2019-2019 school year it was difficult for her to stay focused and retain any of the information that was given to her. I feel that her grades were not accurate the last nine weeks of the year due to lack of number of assignments and opportunities to raise her grades if needed. In one particular subject she had two assignments the whole time she was at home, receiving positive comments on both from her teacher only to receive a 77 as her final 9 week grade bringing her semester average down to an 84. If she was in class as usual she would have had the opportunity to have more assignments and more grades witch would have not affected her average. I feel that going back to some sort of normalcy is what is best for them. I would like to see extra cleaning, retraining on proper hand washing and creative ways on social distancing.

If we do online education our children will lack important information that can only be taught in classroom with teachers that have received education to teach. As an average parent, after the schools has been closed due to covid i see that it is very hard to explain to your child some of the things that we are adults already know. In many cases teachers are role models and/or another adult that a child can learn from, how to react to different situations. For some kids schools are a safe haven. Kids need other kids to socialize with.

School should not reopen, the virus is going to get worse as we speak, what will happen if a student infects their family and the virus kills that child's family....so what will that kid do be homeless or in up in state custody because our brainless governor what's to be Donald Trump's lap dog and does not care about family's. Just think about it if someone come in that was not showing symptoms and the virus infected many students and the next day those students show and infected more students... This virus is airborne and it will kill you. Plus we are just now finding out that kids suffer from a inflammatory disease..... SO NO SCHOOL SHOULD NOT OPEN BACK UP and you now well as I do students will not keep mask on

Some of parents do not no stuff your teaching un able to help child and children'will not wear mazk

Disinfecting and cleaning needs to be one of the main components if schools are going to be opens fully and all children should b able to wear masks if the feel comfortable with it and not to be sharing anything

I feel like not starting back physically to school will really put our children behind academically. I also do not agree and will not make my children wear mask to school. The numbers are just not there, and have been proven to be wrong anyway. I have no problem with daily temperature checks. Thank you.

Good way to spread covid 19 if school reopens we will home school out daughter.

I feel my children will be more at risk having to wear face masks. Plus I think they will be a big distraction for children. If big changes are made (requiring face masks, checking my children's temperature, no recess, no extracurriculars, no shared spaces, or no lunch room area) we are considering home schooling.

I'm a single mom of three and can not teach my children at home nor do I have anyone to help me teach them. They miss their friends and need to be in a group setting to be taught and have the hands learn experiences. They deserve to have their lives back to normal!

If shared time is required to limit number of children per class can some go in the morning leave after lunch and others arrive in the evening at lunch time. Between group of children sanitize desks and equipment. Arrive at school go directly to classroom no cafeteria time or large groups. Another idea is no changing classes for awhile so one teacher and one classroom if have outbreak; those can be identified quicker. This would help prevent multiple teachers and multiple classrooms being effected. One classroom for learning, eating, and recess. One teacher per group of children.

Kids need to be in school and so do teachers. A majority of my students don't have access to the internet and even if they did, they would not learn as much as with face to face instruction. My child did well remotely, but only because I am a teacher and made her work every single day. Many parents are essential workers and simply can't be there to make sure kids are working. I only had about 20 percent of my students complete work when we were doing distance learning.

Although I am high risk, I realize that Covid isn't going away any time soon. At some point, we have to apply safety measures and return to as normal of a schedule as possible. I know I will have to make sacrifices as a teacher and work harder in some areas. I don't mind eating with my kids, taking temps in the morning, or sanitizing my room daily. I'm willing to do anything I can so that students can learn in a safe environment.

Going back to school would be a good thing but limited as above.

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

School should be open as usual just add regular cleanings, if masks are required I will pull my children permanently.

Students need hands on and direct help. Cleaning and disinfecting should be done and students allowed to return. Meals served in cafeteria with trays being fixed as students come through line as Morgan county school have done in past. Per research by CDC children are less likely to be infected and most everything has or is opening back up. Also, I work in the medical field and have continued to see information change back and forth weekly if not every other day. Numbers are skewed due to the way stuff is being reported, exp numbers have went up due to mass testing of people with no symptoms and in many death cases that have been reported across the country due to covid19 have been proven to be skewed/ reported incorrectly. This is due to people having a positive test result and dying from other causes but are being report as a covid19 death ONLY because of a positive test. I feel that students will be better served by being schools and have no problems with my children being in school.

The kids do better with a social setting and actual teachers.

I do NOT believe it is safe, COVID can live for around 3 days on some areas and it can spread like fire before the first person shows symptoms. I know EMS, hospitals, doctors offices, and other county building / county business are still using special operations to be open. My children are my main priority and world I do not want to risk their health or lives for any reason. The parents should have the option or say so to keep them home after all they are our children. Too many parents send their kids to school sick as it is not caring that others will be exposed. Plus when your child is sick and misses school they are the ones punished, epically when 3 days later the school is closed for the same sickness. Then your child is stuck with absents on their record and no others are. Not all sickness is bad enough or has a fever to go to the doctor, and can be treated at home, Please my children are more important to me than anything I love them, I want them to stay safe. If school does start visitors should not be allowed in the schools, coalfield has one who comes in as he pleases and goes all over the school how is that safe ?

My concerns are effectively presenting instruction in a modified and stressful environment and being held accountable for student growth. Keeping a healthy environment that won't interfere with instruction and learning.

Will the county be providing transportation as usual?

If school starts back in August. I think if one child has it and attends school then it will spread like crazy.

I feel that without some type of in school education that learning will take a huge hit. For parents that work full time, doing school work at home is very difficult. The kids are also not nearly as cooperative for me as they are their teachers. Finishing school up remotely made us all miserable. I believe safety measures need to be taken but I think requiring students to wear a mask would be a big distraction. I also think not allowing them to be outside and get exercise would make them miserable as well.

Possible Covid testing for staff

I believe our children need group exposure to help with their social and learning skills. Two of my children receive speech and language therapy which i believe will be more successful in school. My husband and I work full time jobs while our children stay with their elderly grandmother. She is not capable of helping with home/ computer based learning. They would not get the attention and direction they need to be successful in their education if taught from home. We are ready to be back in school.

I do not see any reason to delay school opening nor placing any restrictions on teachers or students other than normal guidelines as years past.

I believe social distancing and keeping a mask on small children is going to be impossible therefore the teachers should wear masks as to protect the staff from infection and more cleaning should be done especially in elementary classrooms and those classrooms should not mix in the cafeteria to keep spreading from room to room to a minimum.

I think not reopening would do more damage than good. Kids need hands on learning.

I'm concerned about the deficits in learning as a result and how we'll respond. For instance, how much of Algebra II will be spent learning Algebra I. Also, what notifications will be made to parents if children or teachers have tested positive with COVID19 and have been around my child? Appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback!

Please don't make anyone wear face masks. While I agree it helps contain infection, it's so hard to breathe in them. I don't want that for my children or the staff.

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

I think for safety reasons it's not totally safe for them to fully return to school, many of the kids at our school live with grandparents or an older relative putting them at a higher risk of getting sick. What happens to that child's stability if their caregiver is put in the hospital? Having said that, I am strongly concerned with continuing remote education as I personally know some students who didn't turn in work (They still physically have the packets) through that last marking period of the school year but they were given credit and pushed through. I myself never got feedback or saw my daughters graded work from her math teacher on the last two packets (we've had issues with this teacher all year with no help the principal refuses to address) I had to constantly email the teacher to see her graded packet and I finally got the packet back when we picked up the kids personal belonging from the school and I never saw either of the other two packets. That is not helpful, I personally am trying my best to help the kids learn but I'm not the smartest and it's zero help when the teacher can't be bothered to do their part. When I asked the principal for help she told me "I can't speak for the teacher." And basically told me to take it up with her. My daughter's friends who did turn in their work don't have graded packets back either. None of these kids are going to be prepared when school does go back into session. If remote learning continues then teachers need to be held just as accountable as students for getting things done on time and getting students their graded papers. We cannot teach our children if we are not made aware on what they don't know.

My son goes to head start and has autism

With my children being in ISP (for speech therapy) it's very hard for us (full time job parents) to be able to provide them a strict learning schedule along with being able to provide their speech therapy, our insurance does not cover their speech therapy because it is not accidental/born condition. They are just struggle with saying things correctly and sometimes comprehensively. It is hard for us to find separate time to teach them. It is also hard for kids to be away from other kids especially if they are the only child. They need the interaction whether it's only 2 days a week or 5 days a week they need to be able to get out of the house. I feel like even as kids they can get depressed and have anxiety, it just presents itself differently and I believe we can all attest to the fact that them not being able to enjoy school, activities, and other kids it's taking a mental toll on them.

Schools should reopen with the first 9 weeks with 50% of students at school and 50% at home the next 9 weeks add 25% more to the school, and the final 25% in the next 9 weeks. The schools should be sanitized daily, students should be taught the importance of and how to maintain proper hygiene. School sports and other functions should have sections for those who feel the need to social distance from others and one for those who don't

Let them go to school.

The few kids that participated in the distance learning program during the spring did not benefit much. Not having regular classes has detrimental for our students.

Working full time, as a single mom, I am away from home 12 hours a day, 4 days a week. My off days are the only time I can get caught up on errands and keeping house. I have very little time to monitor studies and to be honest, my child will not do it unless someone is there to enforce it. I am not so concerned with the Covid-19. I don't believe it is as prevalent as it has been stated in the media and Morgan county citizens do not seem to be transferring it to each other.

I do not foresee a problem with school reopening and this Covid-19 virus causing any issues. Checking temperatures, disinfecting and not sharing school supplies can eliminate spreading of any germs among children and is basic common sense to prevent any virus/illness from being shared. These are minimum measures that should be in place during every school year to keep children healthy, especially when colds/flu are at their yearly peak. Parents have been sending children to school sick for years and it needs to stop.

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My concern is providing safety measures to ensure student and staff do not become ill. Meaning making sure temperature, social distancing is actually being done and remains in affect. Already heard of things slacking down during sports activities. We will eventually have to return to some what of a normal life but until we know for sure it is safe. measures need to be followed.

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

I would love to have schools reopen as normal. With that being said, many teachers and students have physical ailments that make them more susceptible to a weaker immune system. I have two autoimmune diseases that I battle. My weakened immune system makes me worry about contracting the disease and spreading it to my own child and my students. I know we all want to be back in the school building as normal, however we must also take into consideration the health of our students and staff. I think a combination of in school instruction and online distance learning would be beneficial at this point. Have half the class come Monday-Tuesday, deep clean classrooms on Wednesday, Thursday-Friday the other half of the class comes. I don't see how it will be possible to social distance in a classroom setting, especially when some classrooms have over 24-25 students per classroom. At CES, our morning bus duty routine often leaves students standing in the cafeteria due to no seats being available. Social distancing will definitely not be available during that time or during our afternoon dismissal.

I think it's important that kids get back to as close to normal as possible. Kids need the interaction with teachers. But temperatures need to be checked (which would also help hold down other sickness) and good disinfecting needs to be done daily.

Students that get special education classes at school are not getting the one on one time needed.

Every year when school starts kids start getting sick with strep and flu so we don't need to add covid 19 to the list

Please please please please open please please please please please please please please open

The government is trying to scare us. MAGA!!!!!!!

I think it's time to get things back to normal. The kids have missed out on a lot with the cancelling of school this past year and I do not think it should go into this school year.

I would like to see half of students come to school Monday and Thursday, the other half Tuesday and Friday Leaving Wednesday as a planning and sanitization day. School starting after Labor Day.

The coronavirus is still going. And with the way it has gone in America so far, it's probably only going to get worse.

I think they should be out for 2 school years to be safe thank u for your time

Kids need to be in the classroom! We can keep kids safe at school. Too many of our students (and staff) do not have the training or resources to effectively learn remotely.

I would prefer my kids return to a physical school with safety measures in place. I don't believe student masks would actually work, because I've worked in and subbed in various classrooms and I know how kids are. I think a better use of time and money would be to apply extra disinfecting practices, hand sanitizer stations, and reduce the items that kids share with peers.

I believe our school district is likely to be a safe place for students and staff to return, due to the size of our schools and communities. I would not necessarily recommend the same measures to schools in New York City or even Nashville, but our communities are not the same.

With keeping the school clean and sending kids who are sick home will help like it always does. My son loves going to school and he enjoys the field trips. My youngest starts this school year and is beyond excited. Just daily cleaning and making sure the little sick ones stay home is really the only thing to do! Please open School back up.

I'm ok with any/all/ none of the social distancing.
We are a house of Republicans so we are immune

I believe as long as we have regular cleaning, and disinfectant the kids can go back to school as normal. This has gotta way outta hand. Some kids can't learn at home, they need that hands on. Everything is opening back up. It's time to open our schools back up as well

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We can't expect to live like this long term. Our children are missing out on so much. Friends, sports, food, teachers teaching and so much more are vital to these children. Some parents don't care if the work gets done or not so many students may struggle trying to get work done. Up the health standards; temp taking, cleaning more frequent or staff wearing masks if necessary. Children are less prone to get it so they shouldn't be required to be masked all day.

I'm hoping that something can be figured out so my child can stay at home. I'm having thoughts of not letting her return to a class room setting this fall. I believe things need to be in place when the virus starts back up

Just really hope these students get to return to school and everyone stays safe

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I think you should look at phased reintegration that follows similar guidelines of state and federal employees. Also look at doing a modified Schedule to only do in classroom learning of the required curriculum which would not require a full 8 hour day. You could even look at doing a year round school and alternate students during the off time so you have one group going so many weeks then another group going while the first group is off. This would reduce the number of kids in the classroom which would allow more 1 on 1 teacher, student interaction and also allow for better in classroom social distancing.

My concern with online / at home work is the fact that my husband and I both work full time and it is difficult to help our 7 year old get his work done. There aren't enough hours in the day.

Go back to the normal way of life this has been nothing more than a hoax. We have been played ..

I am one of your therapist (Alisa). I have several therapist friends in other counties that are being forced to utilize Tele-health for OT, PT, and Speech. They tell me parents are on board for approximately 2 weeks then no longer will help provide the hands on assistance on the other side (through the screen). They leave the room and the students will not stay in front of the camera as most of our population is ADD, Autistic, etc. I am for returning to school with common sense precautions. I do not mind wearing a mask myself, but I know many of my kiddos will not wear one (Tolerate it). If we do not return as normal, offering weekly scheduled outpatient OT, PT, and Speech makes more sense to me than telehealth to a population mostly guardian-ed by grandparents and many homes are lacking in electronic skill, internet, computer. I am for re-opening schools in August! Thanks for allowing me my 2 sense. ;)

I feel that my child should be able to go back to school on a normal bases. He is missing out with all the at home learning because I am not a trained teacher. My Tax dollars go to pay Teacher income each month and year so let them do their job.

Thank you for allowing our opinions.

If there is school my kids will not come I will homeschool

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Open the schools on time and have regular school.

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I fully understand what you all are up against. You'll be in my prayers as decisions are made. My concern with not letting them have recess and eat in the cafeteria is that they won't have any outlet for all that energy. Thanks for all you do!

I think there should be a choice for students, either physical in school or remotely from home. I think the students should be provided their chrome books as well as most schools are already doing this.

I think students should attend school daily and interact with peers and Teachers. The learning I feel is more abundant with them in classes and able to interact with teacher when they have questions face to face. Distant learning does work but as a parent with a High Schooler this is the most critical time for them to be with friends and interact before they all go to college and separate ways.

I think school needs to open. Students are going to get so far behind in their education. They need structure and they can't get that from home. Parents won't or can't supply all their educational needs. They don't have the training to teach the children what they need to have a strong concept of the subjects. Teachers need to have one on one contact so they can help and teach our children. I want my son to have that chance. So he can be the best he can be. Kids need the social interaction with other kids. They need to be around their peers. Thank you.

Masks should be an option, but not required. They will become a distraction for students and communication barrier for teachers with students. Also, it will be impossible to teach letters and sounds to lower grades if we have to wear masks. If masks will be a requirement, then we should stay home & continue distance learning making virtual lessons a requirement.

Go back to normal. Let's children be children

I am a single parent that works fulltime and it is hard for me to make sure my children are doing their online class while I am working. I work Monday throw Friday 9am to 5:30pm and have an 1and half drove back and forth.

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I'm a single mom of three working full time with no way to do home based learning and no one to help me with it. My kids miss their friends and need to be in group settings to be taught and have hands on learning experiences. Let our kids go back to living normal lives! Get us back in school full time! My 4 and 5 year olds won't wear a mask all day. They will mess with it and cause more germs to be around their face than already there. Please don't ask them to wear masks.

The question of whether or not to reopen is a difficult one and I am thankful that I do not have to make it. Although I understand that some folks in our community feel differently, I accept that the Covid-19 pandemic is a public health crisis of historic proportions and that the threat, especially to the most vulnerable populations, is very real. I also believe, however, that the potential damage to our children from cancelling or radically altering school likely outweighs the risks of continuing to conduct school in a more or less traditional manner. I like to think that my children (ages 8 and 10) have a nurturing and supportive home life, but even for them the social isolation has been difficult and I believe we have seen manifestations of that in an increase in behavioral challenges and in them being more emotional, etc. Similarly, although we highly value education, my wife and I both have full time jobs and I feel that we have done a poor job at best of even starting to fill the void left by the disruption to school this spring. In spite of the best efforts of teachers and administrators to send home packets, etc., I feel that my children essentially missed half of their 2nd and 4th grade years. In the greater scheme of things this is perhaps not the end of the world, but the longer that this absence of relative normalcy continues, the greater the chances that irreparable harm will be done to my children's emotional and intellectual well being. And I simply cannot imagine the effects on children who live their daily lives in far less ideal circumstances. School staff and administrators know this much better than I do, but for a disturbingly high percentage of our local children, school is the one safe place where they can count on being treated with decency and kindness and respect.

I originally supported social distancing and even school closures under the argument of "flattening the curve" and trying to ensure that our hospitals and medical system weren't overwhelmed with a rash of coronavirus cases. While I find it difficult to judge from this vantage point whether that was in fact a valid concern in Tennessee this spring, I would still be in favor of such closures in the future if it was clear that we were in imminent danger of facing such a situation. But when balancing the societal benefit of reducing disease transmission verses the educational and social harm done to our children by continuing the disruption to school, I feel the weight of both arguments, but ultimately favor reopening schools in a more or less normal way. In so doing I recognize the hypothetical possibility that it may be my parents or even me who winds up fighting for my life because of a school-related transmission. But life is fragile and there are many things that can take it from us, and I suppose at some point, especially with no light at the end of the tunnel in terms of a treatment, we just have to have the courage to accept Covid-19 as an addition to that list and do what is best for our children.

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Go back on schedule as normal as possible.

I think regular hand washing should be included and masks worn only when you are closer than 6 feet.

School needs to resume as normal. For heavens sake that go during flu season. My child should not be required to wear a mask!!!

N/A

I do not think any extra precautions should be taken that would not have been part of any previous school year. I am not worried in the slightest about any made up "pandemic" that the country has lost it's mind about in the last few months. My children will NOT be wearing face masks or any other such nonsense.

Please consider when both parents work fulltime it will be impossible to do distance learning and I don't think there are childcare options in our county that will be willing to overseeing distance learning and if there were that would be no different than sending them to school.

Open after labor day to give the virus more time to die down and schools longer to set plans in place

Open it up! We can be smart and cautious and still allow our children to go to school. I support going back to school on a regular schedule

Staff should also be temperature checked before entering the building.

No mask imagine the germs in one mask.

I feel like not starting back physically to school will really put our children behind academically. I also do not agree and will not make my children wear mask to school. The numbers are just not there, and have been proven to be wrong anyway. I have no problem with daily temperature checks. Thank you.

If for some reason schools do not reopen physically there needs to be measures in place with a schedule for students daily. I work during the day and cannot sit with my child to work on schooling as much as needed. For instance, at 8am this teacher will be teaching reading on this site, at 9am this teacher will be teaching math, etc. Or one site, just a schedule. Don't just send packets home to work on at your leisure. Thank you!!

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I would prefer my children not go back to the physical school until the COVID-19 fears have subsided and it is either no longer a threat or contained. If Morgan County School District decides to open schools and implement social distancing, face masks, limited visitors, temperature checks, etc., my children will not be going back and we will be homeschooling them for the 2019-2020 school year. This is no offense to the school district, as our children love the social interaction they get as well as the amazing teachers at Sunbright. However, for our families sake, that is what we will be doing. Thank you for allowing parents and teachers to have a say so in the reopening of schools for this coming up year.

I think it will be ok if schools open back up but I do think there needs to be a way to insure that the students and the people in their household are healthy before the kids enter the school bus or the school building

Get things back to normal!

Children should have their temperature checked before getting on their bus actually is my opinion.

If Covid 19 cases go back up I'm all for full distance learning, but Highland internet needs to improve their service.

I personally do not see how you can open the schools and follow the CDC guidelines. There are not enough buses, room in classrooms, or ways to keep the high schoolers in one room and receive the classes they need. I think that the CDC guidelines need to be followed, therefore there is no way the schools can be opened back up and follow them.

We are working parents. We fully support the school opening back up 2020-2021.

Concerned about arrival and departure.

School custodians need training on best cleaning and disinfecting practices.
Why are we having buses arriving with students an hour before school starts? I think this arises from when we used to have two bus runs which is no longer the case. We can cut down on the amount of time that we have large groups of students in one/two places by not having the buses arrive so early.

My child will not attend school if they are not allowed in play areas and if they are made to wear a mask. It is my choice whether or not they wear something or not. My child will not be forced to do that... it's unsanitary and unhealthy for them to wear a mask the entire day. My children are healthy and I'm not jeopardizing their health by making them wear a mask they will sweat in and breathe in all day long and get slobber and sneezes all in it. No thank you! This will be NOTHING but a distraction in the class room. Teachers will be driven to the point of insanity ensuring each child follows these ridiculous protocols. Sanitizing is all I find to be necessary and to be honest that's how it should have been before this virus with a 98% survival rate came in shut down the whole world I hope and pray this school district makes the right decision.

The students need for school to be as normal as possible.

I will be praying for you all to have the wisdom to make the best decisions for our children and families. Truth is none of us know what the virus will be like in the fall. These are tough decisions. God bless us all.

If there must be staggered instruction it would be better to have a morning and afternoon group because students would get interaction every day not every other day

if it is unsafe for the kids to go to normal school then my children will not attend. you cant depend on elementary age kids to wear masks and to social distance. i am not at all interested in putting my children through this. i am pretty sure all of this stuff is overblown.

I sincerely want my son in a classroom and to be among his peers but my son also has asthma so I am scared. This seem to be getting better in Tennessee..only worse. If nothing changes for the better I am terrified to send my son to school. Central elementary has done a terrific job handling this tough situation thus far.

Make sure all guide lines are clear before school starts.

My concern is for the parents that have no choice but to sent kids to school. I know to many times kids are sent home straight from the bus or car line which indicates the kid was sick prior to coming to school. School distance isn't happening anymore which concerns me as to where other kids parents or staff have been. So if a parent is a nurse they are possible exposed daily to covid19. As for which that means kids with lower immune system or even staff would be exposed. As much as I would love to see school open back up I feel like maybe a environment of choice should be a choice for everybody.

Some kids seem like they catch illness quicker and easier then others. I've always thought all kids 5th grade and under especially should haft to wash hands every 2 hours. And a extra janitor in schools to sanitize common areas kids are touching every couple of hours.

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I do not like the idea of small children wearing face mask all day, they will be breathing in their own carbon monoxide. Students that are asthmatic does not need to wear a mask all day. Small children are sneaky and will pull the mask down to wipe their nose and not wash their hands. I would love to find out how to enroll my child in home school until this has passed.

The kids need a sense of normalcy!! There is so much going on with media that causes fear and panic.

In my opinion, Question 1, choice 2 suggests that there would be no basketball. that is not fair to those coaches and students who enjoy basketball.

My sons love school and the interaction with their peers and as much as I hate for them to not have it their health and safety is number one. The thought of them returning does have me worried and even if school does resume in building I still may homeschool them.

To not return to school in a normal fashion will hinder our children from learning. They need the social interaction as well as hands on input from their teachers.

If schools do not reopen I feel like this will be more of a punishment than a precaution to the kids. If people feel the need to wear mask fine, if not fine. It should be up to the family of the child(ren) whether they want to make their children wear mask or not. One of my children has special needs and needs the help from the staff in person, not online.

Stop giving in to the hyped up fear!

Given the current resurgence of Co vid 19 with the phased reopening plan, I have major concerns that it will run rampant through our school system and beyond and devastate communities. Children will be less likely to follow ANY social distancing plan and having them wear masks and sit in the same classroom for the duration of the school day is just unrealistic. Some of these children including my own live with immunosuppressed family members who would not fair well. The current CDC guidelines certainly seem to corroborate my concerns. If I could venture a suggestion, it would be to provide for distance learning exclusively through the end of winter break and then reevaluate perhaps a soft reopening with X amount of students coming to the classroom on any given day, perhaps using their last name alphabetically. At any rate, my child will be a distance learner with evaluation as stated above.

Our students need to see each other. Being home all the time isn't good for their emotional well-being.

At this point with uncertainty it's best to teach them at home. The teachers have ability to lead online classes either at home or at school. Any needed resources to make this possible are more then readily available.

The special Education kids that are in need in small groups in hands on hve them come to school and get what they need. The rest of the population should being learning from home for here on out.

I believe schools should open later in the summer to allow the faculty and staff more time to develop methods to incorporate a safer environment for students concerning the risks associated with Covid. The students, faculty, staff and students families health (especially the higher risk grandparents) is the most important factor here. Thank you

My child is on the autism spectrum and is definitely missing the in person contact with his teachers and peers. Social interaction is very hard for kids outside of the school setting. Also online learning is not the easiest for a special education student Thank you for all that you do!

I think it's important that kids get back to as close to normal as possible. Kids need the interaction with teachers. But temperatures need to be checked (which would also help hold down other sickness) and good disinfecting needs to be done daily.

I feel that this is no worse than any other health risk and has been completely over exaggerated by the media. Our kids deserve a education in class with their peers and social interaction. Common Universal precautions followed.

I know every year what ever could fly stomach bug going around my kids gets it more than once if they go back to class how is this going to be different you would have to clean buses bathrooms desk chrome books I mean the list keeps going every time someone touched it to keep anything from spreading

My child is not going to school and sit for 7 hours of school.with a mask over her face. And you all know if adults won't wear them kids will not either.the flu spreads likee crazy in school and so will this ..

I think the covid19 will take a huge spike by late summer to early fall

I fully understand what you all are up against. You'll be in my prayers as decisions are made. My concern with not letting them have recess and eat in the cafeteria is that they won't have any outlet for all that energy. Thanks for all you do!

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I have an autistic son who is not going to wear a mask all day....i feel that it isn't as safe and sanitary for these kids to have masks on all day...i am a substitute teacher at Central Elementary and due to my asthma it's not safe for me to have a mask on all day....if the kids are gonna get sick they're gonna get sick...we deal with this with the flu and other viruses every year

Children's temperature check before getting on the bus by aid and rechecked later in the day.

As of today there are 2 active cases. If that jumps to 20+ I would change to both A&B.

I think the remote learning is non beneficial to the students especially when 1 or both parents work out of the home. The remote learning is very disruptive for a student who relies on special education thru an IEP plan. They missed 2.5 months of education this year and they cannot afford to miss anymore. Right now the students are not social distancing anyway. They need to go back a regular schedule. What about the kids with no internet?? Kids need to return to school as regularly scheduled.

I think the option should be available for the parents who are still concerned for their child they should have the opportunity to do distant learning. I think social distance in classroom would be ok depending on who you go about it. I would hate to have shields around desk as that would be a distraction. I also think the attendance policy needs to be re-evaluated in case of a child or family member getting sick with covid. And they have to be self quarantined for 14 days

I think that the parents that are okay with their kids returning should be able to return. If parents aren't comfortable then let them homeschool or do the remote schooling

Everything needs to go back to normal. Sporting events and everything. The flu is worse and easier to get.

I think this is all being blown out of portion

This whole thing is ridiculous. Everything needs to reopen and move forward. There is no real threat. This is just a severe respiratory virus. We have had many. The media has over reported and blown it out of proportion.

Concerned with the use of face masks. Identity of school intruders and danger they could impose on the children.

Student and staff safety should be the most important thing, take this virus seriously, kids adapt and will learn, teachers are very created in keeping the kids involved, it will all work out

Day time school custodian must regularly clean and disinfect flush valve handles, sinks,sink handles,soap and towel dispensers, door handles, drinking fountains, locker doors, and any other touch points that students touch. It may require more than one custodian during school hours to accomplish this. Locker rooms will also need to be disinfected on a daily basis with a bleach based wipe. Quat cleaners will not kill the virus.

I believe that safety precautions would be wise to help prevent any sickness spread but shutting everything down and completely changing our entire system and our entire lives is not the answer. Massive changes like some that are being thrown out there will have an extremely negative affect upon the students and staffs of each school. The virtual world of education will not work with these students and they will not do any of it. That would only cause our students to rebel and become worse than they already have become in our school systems and they would not receive any valued learning experiences from academic or social life like they would normally. I do not think that these kids in Morgan County should be punished and everyones lives completely changed for the worse because of a sickness that has not caused not one fatality in Morgan County.

The way this virus is spreading and Tennessee is still rising and with them talking about a round 2 I think until there are a cure kids should be required to do there work at home

I would rather just open without the special requirements.

I feel that no additional safety measures need to be in place. I'm concerned more about the time and energy spent worrying about social distancing and social acceptance then on actually educating my child. More focus needs to be spent on improving the quality of what is taught and the success of the teaching than on masks, social distancing and other such nonsense.

All students should be in school and no masks. People need to stop buying into the media frenzy. That's what they want

I don't agree with the children wearing masks all day, not safe in my opinion. Social distancing will be no good for kids their age k-5.

<p>Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.</p>
<p>My son has an immune disorder and my hope would be that the appropriate measures would be taken to ensure the safety of ALL students. I feel that extra cleaning measures and ensuring that parents DO NOT send their kids to school sick or if they have been exposed will be key for all of this. I do feel that social interaction among peers is necessary to the development of all children. I hope that the district will carefully consider all options for the safety of ALL students. My child's academics are of great importance but his safety is of the UPMOST importance. I know that regardless of what measures are put into place, we have plans to consult with my son's medical team and do what is best for him.</p>
<p>I think what should be done is that kids are gave good masks, but other than that everything else should be dealt with properly, social distancing in classrooms won't work how would you fit everyone 6 ft apart when there is 20-30 people in the same room...no clue...but keep up the great work!</p>
<p>Seniors do not get Saturdays as alternative.</p>
<p>I have concerns about safety on buses. I wonder if masks would be appropriate while students are on the bus in close contact with children of other grade levels.</p>
<p>Teachers and staff temperature checked also</p>
<p>Lack of chromebooks to do online work. I am not sure if you'd be able to enforce proper usage of the masks.</p>
<p>I understand you guys are doing everything you can to make sure our kids are safe and still get what they need. I want to say how happy I am with Coalfield School. We love everyone there.</p>
<p>I think school should start back as normal and keep normal routine I think a normal routine is what will benefit the kids the most. I do not agree with them wearing mask and having to be stuck in the same classroom all day.</p>
<p>They already have band started at sunbright school. I think it should have waited until school started.</p>
<p>Please open schools back up physically! I am dying to get into our Science lab and do some hands-on experiments with the kids! First and foremost, I want our students to say safe and healthy, so whatever call you make, I trust will be in the best interest of our kids, but I guess like other educators, I am just anxious to physically get back to what I LOVE doing! I miss my kids, and I miss physically being able to do labs and hands-on stuff with them!</p>
<p>School needs to be restarted on its regular schedule. Not because of parents trying to get rid of their children, but for some students school is their break from adults, their time to play with friends their own age and to have discipline and activities provided by someone other than their parents.</p>
<p>The common core needs to completely go away and not apply to any in school or home resources. That makes it extremely hard as a parent to teach their child at home!</p>
<p>I think for safety reasons it's not totally safe for them to fully return to school, many of the kids at our school live with grandparents or an older relative putting them at a higher risk of getting sick. What happens to that child's stability if their caregiver is put in the hospital? Having said that, I am strongly concerned with continuing remote education as I personally know some students who didn't turn in work (They still physically have the packets) through that last marking period of the school year but they were given credit and pushed through. I myself never got feedback or saw my daughters graded work from her math teacher on the last two packets (we've had issues with this teacher all year with no help the principal refuses to address) I had to constantly email the teacher to see her graded packet and I finally got the packet back when we picked up the kids personal belonging from the school and I never saw either of the other two packets. That is not helpful, I personally am trying my best to help the kids learn but I'm not the smartest and it's zero help when the teacher can't be bothered to do their part. When I asked the principal for help she told me "I can't speak for the teacher." And basically told me to take it up with her. My daughter's friends who did turn in their work don't have graded packets back either. None of these kids are going to be prepared when school does go back into session. If remote learning continues then teachers need to be held just as accountable as students for getting things done on time and getting students their graded papers. We cannot teach our children if we are not made aware on what they don't know.</p>
<p>I think a virtual classroom would work good for students with Internet access..the teachers could set up class on zoom or other platforms..I think that would work better than just dumping a bunch of work in google classroom and expecting the kids to just do it</p>
<p>The only problem with teachers and students being made to wear masks would be...it is difficult for those with asthma to wear masks all day. Disinfecting all surfaces frequently is the main thing.</p>
<p>Learning social skills is the main reason I'm sending my granddaughter to a physical school. If she has to social distance, then she will not be learning those skills. And I would see no reason for her to be physically present in a school building.</p>

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

To ask students or teachers to wear mask all day will result with mask bringing in more of a concern of germ contamination than if they never wore a mask.(mask being laid on counters, dropped in the floor, touched frequently with hands) Students wearing mask is not a good idea. Teachers wearing mask is not a good idea because it's harder for communication. Gyms and playgrounds should be disinfected routinely, not closed!
Some students do not have the means for online learning. Online learning places more of a demand on parents and students (instead of teachers), most parents are not equipped to "teach" classroom subjects.
Students should not be expected to eat in a classroom. The cafeteria should be more of an area that is disinfected. Hand sanitizer stations prior to entering a classroom, and prior to entering the cafeteria should be made available. I think our county can make a plan that will provide a safe learning environment on campus for our students without compromising their education.
Hand washing, frequently disinfecting classrooms and other areas, and especially temperature checks are good practices to ensure a safe environment.

This has been a crock from the beginning. If you can't see, admit that yet then you have no place in our education system. Open the damn schools as scheduled. Viruses have been around as long as we have. Nothing AT ALL new here. NOTHING, EXCEPT people who watch too much t v. Mask that.

Let's open like normal. It's time.

You need to keep school in the building, the kids have done been through enough this year. Don't take away them being able to go to school and don't take away the sports that they have played all their lives, it just isn't right. Nothing needs to change keep it the way it was before, and let the kids go to school.

Just really hope these students gets to return to school and everyone stays safe

Class size is a concern as well as parents who send students to school when they are sick.

For distance learning, the main challenge I didn't see in the list was a concern for assisting kids with work and even being home during the day for online learning in homes where parents both work full time during the week. Even if I am allowed to telework during that time, it's going to be challenging to focus on my work and homeschooling at the same time. I think this might be an issue with other families as well.

This whole thing is ridiculous. Everything needs to reopen and move forward. There is no real threat. This is just a severe respiratory virus. We have had many. The media has over reported and blown it out of proportion.

I think it would be a fantastic time to change start and end time frame for the school. Personally I think it would be best to return to school in September and get out in June. Children should not be in school during the hottest month of the year with the strict dress code guidelines. If our children can not go to school without wearing mask and social interaction then schools should not open. School is hard enough without additional safety measures.

The kung flu is a hoax stop with the scare tactics already!!

It is going to be impossible to keep students socially distanced. Even if we remind them to keep their distance, move desks apart, put tape in the hallways, etc. kids naturally want to be close to one another.

I don't get paid to teach my child at home that's why I pay taxes. Stop with the scare tactics

Definitely keep Basketball just use good hand hygiene and check temperatures!

Cancel ALL large gatherings !! No assemblies no gatherings with more than 20 to 25 students in an area.

I know this last school year when the distance learning happened many students didn't do their work. Nothing happened to them which is not fair to the ones that did the work. I was disappointed because as a parent I made sure mine did the work and he did his work. I hope there is not a repeat. If the student doesn't do the work make sure punishment or consequences are in place.

Due to my daughter starting kindergarten I feel that it would be better for her to meet in person with her teacher. I feel that she would do better with learning the criteria if someone else were teaching her. The online learning might work but it would need to be videos of the lessons like she would receive in a classroom.

I strongly believe children need the interaction with their peers for learning how to socialize.

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Time to get back to school!

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i think children should have their temperatures checked before getting onto bus also

I think not reopening would do more damage than good. Kids need hands on learning.

Pray

School should resume as normal. The kids have been through enough with this media enraged load of crap.

I am a Central High alumni. My children attend Anderson county schools. My youngest is in pre k and has a 504, therapies, and is in special education classes. Once schools shut down it was very hard for him. Routines are a huge part of his life. Doing work at home was impossible. His world was turned upside down. As for my oldest going into middle school, he struggled so much. Although his teacher was just a call away he dreaded his work each day and began to hate school even more. He needs more one on one to be able to succeed and do well. Personally unless thousands start dieing from all of the protests and rallies I think the children will be fine. Continue to clean and disinfect the schools.

I worry about my students safety during this time with current events happening, I do not think it's fair for a student to miss Graduation when there are steps that can be taken to ensure safety.

I have school bus riding concerns. Most buses are at high capacity. Therefore any kind of distancing on buses is gonna be impossible. Some of the schools especially Wartburg are very crowded, again complicating distancing students. The younger kids are not really going to fully understand any form of distancing or be able to understand what it's purpose is. In turn is going to make those teachers have an even harder, more stressful day at work. Also, the constant need to correct a distancing issue for these younger children is going to hinder a teachers teaching time. As well as make learning more difficult. I personally work with preschoolers. I know firsthand the regular, daily struggles inside those classrooms. Another personal concern is how often the same electronic devices are used throughout a day, by different students. The responsibility to sanitize every device between each student's use would be daunting for anyone.

I truly hate our children have lost so much valuable time inside the classroom. But I understand and support the reason for it. All it will take is one child or adult to come to school unknowingly contagious, with no obvious symptoms. And within a matter of days that school and district (from bus riding) is going to be in bad shape. That could be my child's school or bus that is firsthand exposed. My family has multiple members deemed high risk. Any decision made for our schools to return will risk exposure to all families. It's not going to be an easy task, and nothing decided will make everyone happy. I don't believe there is a right answer to any of it. I wish y'all the best of luck!

We need to start back after Labor Day not in August. We need to make sure the virus is under controlled

I couldn't imagine a child being placed in a class room from 830-320 eating, learning and play all while wearing face mask. Each year when our children goes back to school viruses starts back up. They should be cleaning/disinfecting every day as they should be. Also what about the parents or grandparents even siblings who have underlying health issues.

If these kids are going to have to be in a class room that long with what I explained I don't want my kids to be apart of it. Why can't they do Zoom for the kids who has internet and for the kids who don't let them come to school. Let them come 4 days a week and the other day let the kids that are at home come in. I also think about the kids who don't have internet or computers are there grants to buy computers or/and help pay for internet. I don't want to single out any child on who will or won't have the technology to be able to do their school work.

How are you going to get 20-25 kids in a room when there is to be only 10 kids and that includes the teacher. Also how are these children going to be able to ride a school bus? Most buses are packed so these kids who ride the bus are either going to have to get up very early then some will get home even later.

I want my kids to learn all they can and enjoy being around their classmates. Homeschooling kids do what we had to do the end of the year and they turn out good.

It will be my daughters senior year at sunbright highschool and basketball practice is already in order, I see no reason to quit now. I can understand taking safety and health precautions like taking temperatures and stuff. But don't close basketball, everything is reopening so why not let basketball go on.

I don't think they should have to wear face mask my children will not wear one

Please start as usual and don't discontinue the sports. Sports are good for the kids emotionally and physically. No safety concerns at all. The School has always done a great job. Bathrooms may need some extra special attention. Maybe have students Clorox wipe their desk and chair before changing classrooms.

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Need to go back to normal and stop being dumb about this kids need contact with other people to build a healthy immune system

Student attends oakdale high school survey would not let me choose for that question.
I feel a designated time frame for online classes needs to be implemented in order to instill some sort of order/schedule.
Also, I think an online classroom where students can input questions in general, along with a way to private message teachers if the student is shy/introverted and does not want to answer questions in a general forum.

Sanitizing as often as possible...back to normal

I think schools should go back to normal. Kids need to be taught the good hagen with hand washing and covering mouth when coughing and sneezing... kids need this were they can keep building on there immune system and they need contact with other kids...

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The loss of interactions between students and between teachers and students will be very detrimental to the development of our children. The loss of extracurricular activities and sports will not only be detrimental to the students, but the schools and communities of our county as a whole.

We need to take precautions to help circumvent the spread of this virus, but we NEED to be in school and we NEED to provide services (educational, nutritional, and extracurricular) to our students.

The use of alternate, non-traditional schedules may be an answer. Possibly one where the student population at each grade level in each school is cut in half, where only half of the students attend school, on a rotational basis, each day (for example Monday/Wednesday and Tuesday/Thursday with rotating Fridays).

My child suffers from a immune disorder and stays sick with what everyone else comes to school with so I would be very scared to send him back to school.

Not every family has a computer or can afford internet. School should t expect parent to have their child to school work on a smart phone either. Why would you expect children to wear a mask for 7/8 hours a day? You can't think that it would be good to not have fresh air you can't breath very good in a mask. Studies have shown that it not good for a person to wear a mask for long hours. Children need to be back in school. I don't see this virus any worse then the flu. Please let our children get back to as close to normal as possible.

Not until a working vaccine is given

I'm not sure masks will help in the lower grade levels. Starting the school year with as much in person as possible would be good, but having plans in place for students to work online if necessary would be good. I do worry about those unable to get internet access or have access to devices to work with.

I'm ok with my kids going back to school, but not if they have to wear a mask all day and not have any social interaction.

My concerns are effectively presenting instruction in a modified and stressful environment and being held accountable for student growth. Keeping a healthy environment that won't interfere with instruction and learning.

I would like to reopen school whenever we had planned on it in the first place, and I would like to keep all sports going and do not take them out of the program.

Stop giving in to the hyped up fear!

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My son has ADD and needs extra help in math courses. This is my only concern with the Onlie classes. However, as long as I have good communication with the teacher I have no problem with these type classes.

I'm concerned that the school will require face masks for my daughter. She has anxiety. I'm worried about her and all her classmates wearing masks may make it worse and she would have a panic attack.

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

I am concerned that if we do not get students back into the schools, using measures to keep them safe, they will not be able to continue with their education. Parents will not all be able to keep up with multiple students at home alongside work. Some will not even attempt it. Students do not all have internet services, and many have no computer literacy (some parents too) to correctly follow along with digital learning. Staying at home is understandable, but we need to understand that they are not staying at home...they're out of state and at theme parks on their vacation. By the school keeping them at home, the students will still be exposed because their parents and the students will not be trying to use precautions.

Kids shouldn't have to wear face mask because they would just touch there face even more. Keeping the place clean should be enough and letting kids be able to learn and play with others.

There is no perfect way to do this, but I believe that as a community, we will come together and continue to find the best way to serve our students.

If we require students to wear masks, I hope we could find a way to provide them to students because they are quite expensive--maybe we could organize a donation drive for purchased/handmade masks to at least have a small supply.

My biggest concern with online schooling or an amended schedule is that it could be a huge hurdle for a lot of our families as far as technology, internet access/speed, and child care. This is more concerning for families with sibling groups.

I feel some precautionary measures are expected and necessary, however going overboard or being excessive will only lead to chaos and confusion for students, teachers, administration and parents. I feel expecting students and staff to wear face masks will only be a huge hindrance and distraction from learning. This should be considered optional per each individual but not mandatory. You can tell kids 20 times to keep their mask on and it would be unreasonable to expect them to do so. Many students and teachers have anxiety issues which would make this a breathing issue for prolonged periods of time. Proper disinfecting and temperature taking should be done if at all possible. Even if we have to equip each classroom teacher with a no touch thermometer. Many students do not have the room or the staff to allow for major social distancing in classrooms. Many schools will be unable to accommodate one way walking and expecting students to get to an from designated classrooms would not be manageable as well, especially in the middle and high school setting. I feel the least chaotic the better.

I will be praying for you all to have the wisdom to make the best decisions for our children and families. Truth is none of us know what the virus will be like in the fall. These are tough decisions. God bless us all.

If remote learning is implemented than parents need to be able to call teachers for help to be able to help their children. We struggled with google docs. and ended up having to print out some of the work because it wouldn't transfer over in docs for us to complete. My son barely knew how to use it and I knew nothing about it. So if remote learning is done it either needs to be taught to the parents or not used at all.

Once the virus reaches the county - it will spread rapidly. Better safe than sorry.

I would like to see my child attend school again for the 2020-2021 school year. But, if it will be so restricted that they cannot enjoy school and not be allowed to move throughout the school (playtime, music, computer, PE, etc) I would rather my child stay at home. If my child does stay at home, I would like to have flexibility with the school assignments as myself and other parents work full time jobs and it will be hard to do school work/classes with them during the 8:30-3:30 school time as we will be working during that time. I believe student interaction with other classmates is very important and by doing it virtual it is only restricting the children even more, but I also don't want them to feel as though they are in prison with so many regulations and restrictions in school either.

I think Politics plays a part in this virus scare. Very small percentage even dies and they have underlying conditions. I think all contact sports should be canceled until a vaccine is made. Taking Temperature before entering school and distance the kids from sitting to close to one another would even help from common colds and flu.

My child has asthma and upper respiratory issues on a regular basis. So for me it's a major concern. I personally feel schools should not open until ALL issues and threats are completely out if the question. My child's life could depend on if they wait until everything is completely cleared and safe or not.

I think with practice of disinfecting Areas that we Jsut have to be cautious. It's time to get the kids interacting again. Kids can't learn at home like they can from school. They get that bond with their teacher and understands the studies more than what some of us can teach them.

Students with elderly people living in the same house as them or their parents are the only care givers that the elderly in their family's have or the students care giver is elderly you will be putting all of those elderly in very bad position by having in students in class this fall!!!!!!

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Open schools

Require hand sanitizer/hand washing before eating. Require parents/guardians to disclose if their child has been tested for COVID or around a person that has tested positive for COVID.

Not only am I concerned about lack of internet access but also when having more than one child and virtual learning at the same time and also not having enough devices for them either.

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I just feel that having all these students back in school all together is not a good idea at this time.

for the Voc Tec students, can they not just have one school there one day at a time.

Can students that are making the grades they need just come into school two days a week and the ones that are needing more help come in three days a week. Or so that the students are not being singled out have them all come every other day and the teacher have Friday to do the remote work and be available to the students by computer of whatever means to give any extra help.

Open as always,

Students need to be in school with teachers and staff with the least amount of restrictions. All students need to have a learning environment that is clean and safe. Proper disinfecting and adequate supplies should be provided for every classroom. Teachers should not have to purchase their own germx or chlorox wipes, they should be provided. Attendance policies need to be relaxed so students who are sick are not made to feel like they have to come to school. Not many children can learn all they need to sitting at home in front of a computer, they need the wonderful teachers and staff to work the magic that they do day in and day out.

While I understand the health concerns, these kids rely heavily on the in school personal relations and guidance. I'm greatly concerned on the future well being of our kids if never returning back to the real world.

In my opinion our schools should re-open for the 2020-21 academic year unless there is an increase or surge in the Covid-19. Our children are currently below the state averages for the most part in the county and will suffer even more academically with anymore delays or school closures.

One thing that should be done is hiring more custodial staff per school to help with the cleaning and disinfecting process that will need to take place on a daily basis.

The school administration should pay attention to the CDC recommendations and guidelines and follow them. I understand the initial shut-down but I feel like we've been told what we can do to prevent or slow the virus which we've done. If school re-opens on schedule then our kids will have been out of school for 6 months.

If school is delayed or cancelled any longer then we need to figure out a way to move to a computerized classroom setting.

Hands on learning is essential for CTE. Social distancing in a shop area is possible but extremely difficult. In my opinion masks are fairly ineffective unless there is proper mask protocol training. Without proper use and training you might as well have nothing on because the mask can become contaminated so easy. Also field trips shouldn't be a loud early in the year but hopefully as we learn about this virus and gather more information about how to stop the spread then we can open field trips up later. Being a CTE teacher I do hate seeing field trips not be an option but maybe down the road we can look into it more.

Children need to be back in school without facemask and closed playgrounds!!! encourage washing hands often!!

more nurses need to be on hand or on stand by to help with temps and safety protocol.

Regular hand washing and encouraging kids to practice other safe hygiene to include not touching face would go a long ways.

Remote learning with sports to continue.

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My Kids need some normal! They need interaction with other kids. Also face mask I believe will provide more issues for teachers and students then help them.

Please provide any additional feedback in regards to school reopening or student health and safety you would like to share.

If you think for one minute that kids will wear a mask in school for 8 hours a day, you all are more delusional than I thought. And for the record, highland internet WILL NOT support every kid in the county streaming online to do school work every day. So that monopoly will have to be done away with in order to bring in outside carriers to be capable to do this. Which every resident knows WILL NOT happen !!

I am all for the school districts to implicate remote teaching at home, and inside the classroom. I feel it gives parents like myself and my husband the opportunity to learn with our child and see his teacher's way of teaching so we can better assist him in the future. I also feel like remote learning can help calm down viruses that aren't related to COVID 19. I also don't think putting a schedule in for specific grades would be a bad idea either. Allowing x amount of grades to come in specific days of the week allows the children to rest and better prepare for the next on campus class.

I will not allow my child to go back to school until this virus is gone completely. I know that we can not keep kids apart in school. That's why we must teach them remotely.

I believe rotating students perhaps on weekly basis (between physical and online learning) to assist in reducing the number of students in the classroom at one time would be the best. I believe this would help accomplish the social distancing within the classroom setting by reducing numbers. This alternating between physical classroom appearance and online learning takes all factors into consideration - such as maintaining social distancing, but students would still get social interaction and physical hands-on learning which is very important - but yet still being able to rotate to online learning to help minimize exposure to illness. I believe there is a way for students to still be held accountable for online learning (time monitored logins, etc.). All factors are important, and they should all be balanced to maintain a well-rounded student. Mandatory hand-washing, increased use of hand sanitizer in classrooms, etc. as well as deep cleaning of schools are also extremely important to the safety and health of the students and staff.

If there is online schooling, it has to be more than just google classroom. There must be some instruction provided by teachers either by Zoom or some other platform. Would also allow kids to engage with each other.

My concerns are not only students and staff safety but the counties liability. Maybe some sort of waiver needs to be signed understanding risks. I would truly like to hear from the educators on how they feel they could implement safety measures. Will masks be made available, you know how kids will be with masks with teasing the homemade or paper "mine is better than yours". Will there be a specific place for those students that DO HAVE ELIVATED TEMPERATURES? What about attendance policy changes? Once procedures are made, I feel it extremely important for Essentials Employees, Educators, and Parents be able to read through those proposals and have discussions openly. Either using FB so comments can be seen or maybe a call in radio show. I believe in those that care and work with our children and want to hear what they think. Thank You for this survey and an opportunity for a parental perspective.

Need to keep students and staff safe. Students have to be accountable for doing their work.

I'm leaning toward home school more and more

My child is on the autism spectrum and is definitely missing the in person contact with his teachers and peers. Social interaction is very hard for kids outside of the school setting. Also online learning is not the easiest for a special education student Thank you for all that you do!

Lack of chromebooks to do online work. I am not sure if you'd be able to enforce proper usage of the masks.

Students need to be back in school for their education. We do not live in an area where many parents put a high value on education, so leaving students at home is only going to put those students further behind and making it more difficult to get them out of drug and government assistance life cycles.

We can't expect to live like this long term. Our children are missing out on so much. Friends, sports, food, teachers teaching and so much more are vital to these children. Some parents don't care if the work gets done or not so many students may struggle trying to get work done. Up the health standards; temp taking, cleaning more frequent or staff wearing masks if necessary. Children are less prone to get it so they shouldn't be required to be masked all day.

My students are all ready to get back into classrooms. My child has been excited for a year to go to pre-k and these kids need a normal routine back in school where they learn the best. However, my kids do not want to go back if extreme measures are going to be taken such as requirements of masks. It isn't healthy anyway for anyone to be required to wear a mask 7-8 hours per day.

If a child is or seems sick they must stay home and not count everything against them. Some days in school some days home. Half and half even but they need school and the socializing with other children. Even if they go 2 days and do 3 days at home. They need to be around people .

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I am concerned for the safety of the kids going back to school right now because of the fact that they are all just kids. They pass different stuff around all the time as it is, let alone a deadly sickness going around. If one child has the flu, half of the school has it. If one child gets head lice, half of the school has it, etc. I do not like the idea of the masks being wore all day everyday either if schools do re-open, or the idea that my kindergartener will not be able to use the playground or gym while at school, or go on field trips. However, it is also a concern of mine to homeschool again for the fact that not all children have the same home life as others. There are many kids who will not get the help they need and some that may not even have the means to be able to access certain necessities. My children didn't even receive their last month's worth of work at the end of last year due to a mess of confusion. I have no clue whether they even advanced or not. I just fear that keeping them home will keep a lot of kids from fulfilling their educational, and even social needs. Whatever is decided is how it will be I suppose regardless, but what will happen with the children whose parents decide that whether you open schools back or not, they aren't sending them anyways due to the fear of them catching/ spreading Covid-19? Will it be an issue of truancy, or will those children be given the option of homeschooling?

I fear that a child will contact the virus from home. No one will know until they have symptoms.

Until we have reliable and definitive answers about covid-19 I would like to see a cautious approach where remote learning is utilized whenever possible. We have an unprecedented opportunity to experiment and see what works best for Morgan county, and I hope that'll be the legacy of the 20-21 school year.

I'm ok with my kids going back to school, but not if they have to wear a mask all day and not have any social interaction.

With covid19 I worry when the flu season hit it will be a combination of both. And every year school continues till half the kids are sick so my worry is how long will they be made to go when it's starts this year.

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Open back up like our normal school schedule and live life to the fullest, we can't stop living and learning and the world don't stop turning, the good Lord will watch and protect us

Open up like normal

Good way to spread covid 19 if school reopens we will home school out daughter.

With all the uncertainty and people not having common sense as far as doing hygiene (washing hands, covering mouth, using hand sanitizer, not touching face, etc. -- & I have seen not just kids but grown adults not use hygiene practices). I feel it is completely necessary to do distant learning. Young kids & others do not have a good immune system & are subject to catch anything. As we all know, just about every year our schools have to close due to flu. Why should parents take a risk with their childs life when at this moment we have an opportunity to keep them safe. The safety of our child/children is our priority. Teachers have a hugh responsibility just teaching and as hard as they may try they cannot guarantee that every child is doing hygiene practices. I'm a firm believer that our kids are safer at home not only because of the current situation but also our kids get more attention-- they are not trying to ask questions and get told to wait because the teacher is having to help others in the class, they don't get told to figure it out on your own when the child doesn't understand and each child learns differently so therefore the parents can address the learning so their child can learn to the best to their ability. Children can also take this opportunity to learn survival skills such as gardening, canning, freezing foods, cooking, sewing, hunting, fishing, trapping-- these are things that when they are faced with uncertain times like we are in they know that they can make it. My personal opinion, leave the school closed for the safety of everyone.

Go back on schedule as normal as possible.

Please do not torment our poor kids by implementing all these crazy requirements at school, such as wearing a face mask, not allowing interaction with the students, keeping them cramped in their classroom all day long.

I am a concerned grandparent. The Safty of every child and teacher needs to be taken into consideration. Thank you.

student interaction is a very important part of a child's education.

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Kids need to be at school to adequately learn. To take away interaction among kids and take away athletics from kids is just crazy. Everybody needs to quit panicking and let us attempt to get back to normal. Right now, nobody is willing to do anything but panic and continue to take things away from kids.

Can we please try to get back to normal. Not allowing basketball because it is an indoor extra curricular activity is absolutely crazy. It just seems like everyone is continuing to find more and more ways to take things away from the students

I think something like double shifts to increase social distancing would be useful. Alternate full days might also be a possibility. There needs to be radical approaches in these times. In the face of the health of these students, the pitiable state standards pale in significance. We see outbreaks all over the country, primarily due to ignoring social distancing and masking. We don't want to join them. Forrest Stewart

We have got to get back to normal. Everyone just continues to panic and try to find ways to take things away from our kids. Right now, everything is HURTING the students and no one seems to care

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If they do distance learning from home then they need to make a deal with highland Telephone. This is the only internet provider in my area. As a single parent I can not afford the prices that they offer. I also don't need a home phone. They will need to Provide chromebooks etc.. and resxources to help parents. Or hold video classes. they could offer limited field trips every week for learning and social interaction or even certain days of hands on learning at the school building. But I prefer that school returns to normal.

You all need to stop being a bunch of wimps. You need to stand up to the state, because anyone with half a brain knows that it will be impossible to enforce those state guideline for reopening. This virus was overblown bullshit, but everyone fell for the fear-mongering. Why don't you become a school district that others will look up to, and fight back against all of this nonsense. Or just continue on in the pathetic, sniveling way that you have since I was a child.

You can't change the world because of a politically driven virus. I don't want my child and this generation to have an altered perception of education and the world based on these inconsistent facts. I don't want my child staring at a population hidden behind masks and fear.

I think with regular cleaning, which should be taking place anyways, our children will be safe and this will provide them the opportunity to a normal education and social opportunities.

My daughter was suppose. To be put in the early grad program. Due to her age starting at the beginning of the school year of 2020/2021 so I'm hoping this happens she has waited 2 years already

A mixture of online and on-site learning would be ideal for smaller class size and number of children on the buses daily.

I don't want my children required to wear a mask.

Sheila cook

Our students need to see each other. Being home all the time isn't good for their emotional well-being.

My child is on the autism spectrum and is definitely missing the in person contact with his teachers and peers. Social interaction is very hard for kids outside of the school setting. Also online learning is not the easiest for a special education student Thank you for all that you do!

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I do not support students and/or staff wearing masks all day. It's difficult to wear one for quick shopping trips. I recently had an appointment that took some time, and I reached a point that breathing became difficult. After I finally removed the mask, I didn't feel well.

Some schools have taken away recess. I think with the proper safety steps, being outdoors in the fresh air is better for students.

I'm not sure what to do about lunches. Everyone crammed into the cafeteria obviously isn't the best choice. However, if students eat in the classroom, that presents several issues including attracting bugs and mice. Also, if students eat in the classroom, will teachers have to give up their lunch break to watch them? Obviously, they can eat during that time, but teachers usually use that time to use the restroom and make private calls, etc., in addition to grabbing a bite to eat. I'm also concerned that lunches served in classroom will not be as good as what students receive in the cafeteria.

I think one good thing is that Morgan County has not seen a high number of COVID-19 cases. Hopefully, we will continue to have low numbers.

Last, I do hope to see sports this Fall. It is my hope that we can make it through the year without COVID cancellations. I certainly hope the class of 2021 gets to have graduation. I guess I'm hoping for a lot, but having faith is good.

I would like to have a later start date and delete fall break.

Schools should not be opened for 2020-2021 due to outbreak. Many people live with their older grandparents and if it spreaded it would kill them

I won't send my 5 year old wearing a mask every day especially during activities such as recess and gym

We shouldn't have sports closed off if we are still having school. Especially if you've been letting them practice in the gyms.

I think the sports may not happening is very uncalled for. If the kids are gonna be at the school for 8 hours. Then 2 hours after school for practice or a game is not a big deal. It's just gonna make kids depressed and even lose some interest. I know my kid just got surgery just so she could play her senior year of ball and I know if she ends up not being able to. It's gonna break her heart. And not only hers. Everyone is our family. She has been Elrond so hard in recovery and she needs to know it's for something

I strongly believe children need the interaction with their peers for learning how to socialize.

As a teacher, I think students need to be in school, but we must keep them, their families, and staff as safe as possible while doing so. I think the best solution is to modify schedules so less students are in the building at once. Running multiple bus routes to keep them separated. Students should stay with their teacher all day on an abbreviated day. Virtual options should be given to those parents who wish for their child to attend school that way, but they will also have to be held accountable for attending/participating. If enough students need to attend school virtually a teacher should be given then job as a virtual teacher to that grade level in the county.

If you think for one minute that kids will wear a mask in school for 8 hours a day, you all are more delusional than I thought. And for the record, Highland internet WILL NOT support every kid in the county streaming online to do school work every day. So that monopoly will have to be done away with in order to bring in outside carriers to be capable to do this. Which every resident knows WILL NOT happen !!

School needs to resume as normal. For heavens sake that go during flu season. My child should not be required to wear a mask!!!

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Many special needs students will have extreme difficulty wearing masks, social distancing and not sharing toys when in school buildings.

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High school and middle school students should wear masks. All students should take regular breaks to wash hands. If students alternate two days per week childcare should be provided to teachers.
All of the daycare options in our county are currently full and many staff members have very limited options

I feel my kids learn better in a classroom setting.

If distant learning is continued the amount of work per day should be in accordance with the same amount of time a student is in class example 10 pages of math for one day unrealistic.

I would like to reopen as regular and if see a rise in sickness then do a temperature check on entry to school. Additional education on washing hands and germs, like Germ City would be beneficial. Students need social closeness to each other and to teachers more than ever now not social distancing. They need to learn to collaborate and work together in this world of technology and distancing.

I don't feel like they need to wear mask all day. It is a safety concern

With my children being in ISP(for speech therapy)it's very hard for us (full time job parents) to be able to provide them a strict learning schedule along with being able to provide their speech therapy, our insurance does not cover their speech therapy because it is not accidental/born condition. They are just struggle with saying things correctly and sometimes comprehensively. It is hard for us to find separate time to teach them. It is also hard for kids to be away from other kids especially if they are the only child. They need the interaction wether it's only 2 days a week or 5 days week they need to be able to get out of the house. I feel like even as kids they can get depressed and have anxiety, it just presents itself differently and I believe we can all attest to the fact that them not being able to enjoy school, activities, and other kids it's taking a mental toll on them.

Having a child with a weakened immune system played a huge part in my answers. I look at things differently because he can't afford to get something as serious as COVID-19

Masks will be a big distraction for the kids also my son has asthma and could not wear a mask all day.

Our family will always be supportive of what the school board decides is the safest way to reopen schools. We will follow any guidelines that are put in place, regardless of if they differ from our responses to this survey. Thank you all for what you do!

As a healthcare worker and mother, I believe that the strictest measures need to be taken. This pandemic is far from over and if we flood the schools with kids, it will increase the odds of the sickness levels of our children. I, for one, do NOT want to expose my child anymore than is necessary. Maybe they could do some kind of alternating days with 1/2 classes, masks, sanitation and social distancing? The answers are going to be hard to find, but we must pull together as a community.

My son has asthma and covid could be life threatening no him or anyone in my family catching it or spreading it. Just makes me concerned for his well being in close contact with so many students.

The government is trying to scare us. MAGA!!!!!!!

I think school should open and carry on as normal. Maybe more regular cleaning and hand sanitizing but other than that, school and all sports should operate the same as any other year. The kids are ready to be back in school with their teachers and friends and able to play their sports.

I don't think they should have to wear face mask my children will not wear one

It is useless for the school system to be turned upside down and/or overly cautious with mud slings, parades and the 1-27 yard sale going on. Open school and carry on as normal!

Open up like normal

My concern is for those groups that are most at risk to get COVID 19, like my son who has a very rare autoimmune disease.

Mostly concerned for the higher risked groups. My son has an auto immune disease. So he'd be a higher risk.

I'm ok with my kids going back to school, but not if they have to wear a mask all day and not have any social interaction.

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If the schools physically reopen with students in the building, I would still like to see an option for our medically sensitive students to participate via distance learning.
Everything should be sanitized everyday. Kids if not feeling well should stay home. Limit who comes into the building. School 4 days a week (go Mon, Tue, home Wed, go Thur& Fri). Really do some deep cleaning on Wednesday and Friday's. Hand sanitizer in the school/classroom. Kids won't wear face masks, will loose theirs maybe pick up another students mask. If kids are not in school then on line teaching/school is good as long as teachers are teaching the course not just sending home information and sending it back. Kids need more structure. Also kids want to be taught by their teacher not parents. There has to be a classroom on line with the teacher teaching student able to ask questions and get help.
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I feel the students &staff safety is the most important as well as the education of the students.However being a great grandparent of a 6th grade student we are not equipped in the Technology to teach our child this method by ourselves, that being said maybe its possible to let students of middle & high school to come into the school a few days a week to prepare for this or even another just down of public schools going forward in 20-21 school year .The bus driver's are equipped to drive & social distance the children on the bus possibly an aid could ride with each bus should the students be allowed to come back this year .Also alternation of less students is essential I feel for the safety of all as well as many children are raised by grandparents & great grandparents some with health conditions. There needs to be a plan of elimination of how many students are in a classroom especially for the per-k-5th grade . Alternative days for x amounts of these students to be at the school one class room go to school Monday next day the other classroom due to the spread of the coronavirus this would be helpful for both teachers to assist the students on together on alternating the days & a study packet for the days not there or online .Thank You for the survey & all in our prayers.
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Let's open all sports programs back up now
The case count for children (younger than 18) is extremely low not only in this area, but also across the nation. Our children need the social interaction that school provides them as well as the hands on learning experience. We will be doing them a great disservice if we do not allow them to enter a school building and learn. Just like we are doing them a great disservice when we make them do all these things online even when they are in a school building. There are many studies that show kids excel when they have printed books to read and touch while learning (just as we did in school). I do feel a combination of in person and online school would be appropriate though, even when we aren't dealing with a virus, if our internet can keep up with multiple kids online at a time. I do not think masks or social distancing will work or is necessary for children of any age and anyone who has spent time around children would know this. I see adults who can't stop touching their masks and are wearing them wrong any time I am out somewhere. Kids will not keep a mask on correctly and constantly touching the mask just increases the potential spread of all viruses and bacteria.
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The children are falling behind and it will only get worse. We can't protect them from everything in life and we shouldn't disrupt the schedules they know and are used to. It is only making all of this more traumatic for them. They miss school, their friends, and getting out of the house. They need to go back to their normal. We can't just keep them home forever.

Wait to go back to school after labor day. This will provide a longer period of time for the virus to die down more

Seriously considering K-12 online.

I think the remote learning is non beneficial to the students especially when 1 or both parents work out of the home. The remote learning is very disruptive for a student who relies on special education thru an IEP plan. They missed 2.5 months of education this year and they cannot afford to miss anymore. Right now the students are not social distancing anyway. They need to go back a regular schedule. What about the kids with no internet?? Kids need to return to school as regularly scheduled.

Regular disinfection of surfaces and areas should be done whether there is a pandemic or not. The cleaning this year is going to have to be a top priority to all staff and the janitors must realize the Importance of this and Make sure they are doing the job as expected!!

The kids need to be in school to get a better education!

This i believe would b dangerous to expose our kids when there r other options

If students and staff return, the exposure will be much higher! Some people aren't healthy enough to be around it

We have computer and internet access so no worries for us. I do worry about families that do not have those options.

Open school with NO restrictions, no face masks, no distancing , no stupid plastic barriers.

My children won't return if school has any temperature checks, face masks, no recess or shared computer spaces.

I would like to wait as long as possible to reopen school. We are still distancing ourselves and wearing mask in public.

I'm just concerned how the process will be handled since theres always lots of sickness the first few weeks of school.

I think this is a lose-lose situation because no matter what the district decides, someone will always be unhappy. I think every precaution should be taken regardless of feelings, and if we need to do remote learning for a little longer, then so be it. I trust the people I work for to make the best decision for our school system.

Around the front and side of students desk have clear plexy glass up and Clorox wipes, and hand sanitizer at students desk.

If this keeps on i'm going to consider homeschooling!

I feel it is safe for schools to go back to normal functioning.

I feel a child learns best from a teacher as I am a mother of two and I work 24/7 so it hard enough for me to get my kids to do the three packet of work ghat was sent home.. I think this who mess has got blown completely out of portions!!

I would suggest temperature be checked as student gets on bus. .if temperature is high, leave student at home.

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Open schools and carry on as normal

If students have to wear mask and they sneeze and breath all the mucus that they have inside that mask it is nasty. Who wants a mask full of snot on all day. Who will be providing the mask? If janitors clean like they should and any carpet or rugs are taken out you can get a much cleaner classroom. Things could be much cleaner in the class rooms than they was before all this started. Concerned grandmother!

They already do a block system why not make half ho morning half go evenings then swap after dec.

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I have a child with special needs. He gets sick to easy. I don't believe he will be attending school in person.

Children aren't properly checked for such things as lice, how can we know and trust that they will be properly checked and not come to school when sick or feverish. Not all Parents/Guardians take the time to check and care for their children. I want assurance that my Grandchildren will be taken care of.

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Elementary classes interact minimally with students in other classes: small groups in cafeteria, play only with classmates on playground. Limited attendance at sports events (if any).

Parents are working, we can't be at home to keep our kids tied to a computer, and the babysitters are all over run and can't do it either. It's not healthy for kids OR teachers to wear face masks all day, so if that's a requirement, I need to check into other school options. All these ridiculous measures are doing nothing but teaching the kids to live scared. Open back normally.

Timely communications is there are spikes in illness to parents is critical to slow us to make informed decisions. I support full opening of schools with no restrictions. Teachers and staff emphasizing proper sanitation and encouraging students to take proactive measures is key as well. Handwashing often is key versus having primary means of disinfecting being hand sanitizing.

If the students are required to wear masks and are not allowed recess, we will homeschool this year. There is no reason to send them to a physical building if they aren't able to get social interaction.

I disagree with the kids wearing a mask , cause being in the medical field for years. People don't realize if you keep the masks on for total amount of hr you will get sick, plus can cause them to get dizzy or even faint. I know I will dont aloud my daughter to wear one at all or she will just stay home.

Please no masks. Our pediatrician is in agreement that they don't do much to protect. Not only are they uncomfortable, they will hinder students who are working with sounds and learning to read. (They need to be able to see a teacher's mouth to see how these sounds are made. Teachers also need to be able to read lips for those who have major speech impediments.) Masks will be a huge distraction as well. Enhanced cleaning would be beneficial as well as teaching students the importance of proper hand washing and how to wash their hands properly. I'm okay with temperature checks because I have seen many a student be sent to school despite sickness and a temperature. There is no way for kids not to share a space or stuff. It will happen. They still need to eat together, play together, and go to specials. We need to make things as normal as possible for students. I could understand offering an online option for some who have issues with this. However, a classroom teacher does not have time to teach a classroom and provide online or remote based learning. Maybe a position would have to be added for someone just to handle those students learning online or remotely.

The few kids that participated in the distance learning program during the spring did not benefit much. Not having regular classes has detrimental for our students.

It is time to safely move forward

I think we should go back without mask. The desk and door handles need to be disinfected daily.

Some school systems are going back after labor day. That might be a possibility here.

Our students social, emotional, and physical needs are best met inside the school building. These needs far out way the risk to the virus.

I think parents should have the option to send their child to school physically and then have the option to school them at home without penalty.

Please apply common sense when making decisions.

I feel school should resume as it was pre-covid.

Possibly combining distance learning with physically being in the school building would give the students the opportunity to still maintain friendships and the social aspect while getting adequate education by their teachers at least two to three days per week. For example: attend on Monday, Wednesday and Friday to get lessons and turn in lessons consistently. To slow the spread of germs even further the school day could be shortened as well. Also, relaxing the absentee policy with more allowances for illness and particular family situations with family members that have compromised immune systems.

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I do believe that there should be students physically in the school buildings even if it isn't all the time or even all at one time. I believe that if you ONLY do online learning in anything other than college level courses the students do not get the hands on learning experience that they need. Some students may also not have reliable internet services to do online only courses and do not have the help or encouragement to do any of the work at home. I personally believe that the packets that were required to be sent out (even if it wasn't a local decision) was irrational because the teachers could not provide work that they had not gone over yet, so the students weren't learning anything as much as they were just "reviewing" items they had already learned in the classroom. Although that may have provided well needed practice, how can we expect our students to learn if they are not provided new materials. Thank you for your time.

If face coverings are required, it will be very hard for the younger students to keep their faces covered! Some students, including all 3 of mine, may have breathing issues and face coverage may cause more complications!

Not opening the school could cause a lot of problems students that have none access to the internet is the case for a lot of kids also some parents depend on the time while there kids are at school to go to work and the store and more things that kids aren't allowed to come with there parents and it could effect many social skill problems so reopening the school would be the best option

Modify the schedule so that all students are not in the buildings at the same time. This would make it easier to social distance and allow students to be able to participate in their normal routines, i.e., library, modified gym, cafeteria... Temperature checks are a must! Parents routinely send their kids to school when they are sick which spreads other viruses to faculty/students... Increase the number of parent notes that can be used during the year. It is better to adhere to caution than worry about those who might take advantage of it...

I want you to know that I think the continued socialdistancing is unnecessary. We are creating greater problems for future contact with illness by hindering our immune system.
Also a note for the school board. You all need to seriously forget about stopping the basketball program.

I believe it would be very difficult to keep masks on students all day especially small students. Also I have heard several schools are opening after labor day this year in order to give distrits more time to make preparations for the safety of children and staff.

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My children are ready to go back to school. They did not like or do well with doing that much school work at home. Both parents work and it is difficult to spend the proper time on a days worth of school work with them. However, they do not want to go back if they are going to be required to wear a mask all day and if they do not get to interact with their peers.

The kids need to be in school. Things needs to go back to normal for them. Some can't afford not to be in school.

The kids need to go back to school. Some of the kids can't be homeschooled

My kid needs to be in school he doesn't do well with homeschool

My daughter needs schooling in the building not at home.

Let the kids come back to school

Bring them back to the building they need it

Just let the kids come back, the numbers are low in Morgan County they will be fine. All you have to do is monitor for sickness just like with the flu.

Let them come back

They need to be in school.

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I have based my answers on current information, and I may think differently as August approaches. I appreciate the opportunity to do a survey, and I would like to repeat the survey when it's closer to school starting. Social distancing and masks are ideal, but I realize that's not practical for children in a school setting. I do like the idea of a blended virtual and in-person format. I would like the flexibility to choose the format that is best for my child as the school year progresses without penalty if I believe he is safer at home with distance learning. I like the idea that the state discussed in their reopening guideline—split classroom levels. I believe that would help those who are ahead or behind to be best matched up with peers on their level. I would like my child to be able to be challenged at higher levels as needed even though some of his age group may need a lot of review or catching up from the abbreviated previous school year. I know these changes and unusual circumstances will affect my child's class throughout their school career. I realize a lot of focus will be placed on "catch-up" for those who need it (justifiably) but I also want to make sure those who are ahead are appropriately challenged and engaged as well.

I think with proper disinfecting and hand washing life can go back to a new normal, I think the masks for a entire day is too much for the young kids and too much of a responsibility for the teachers of those kids. The older ones may do better but have respiratory issues that could be aggravated by a constant wear of mask. As a nurse and a mom, my kids have just wash/ sanitized hands, been more vigilant about coughing/sneezing into arm, and sterilization of or home and we have reminded Covid free. My husband and I have jobs were our exposure levels are high and common sense and a few extra steps have kept us healthy, its possible.

Maybe having classes on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays physically at school and deep sanitizing on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Too many what ifs to be certain on how to reopen, but hoping students get to return to school.

I am concerned about the bus trip to school how are our children going to social distance on the bus. Mine has an hour and half bus ride. That is a long time on the bus with a potential sick kid. The bathroom breaks how are our students going to social distance in there? Mine attends Sunbright and the restrooms that are in the hall are very small and half of the faucets do not work. So if they do not have proper access to hand washing how are we going to keep them safe. I am unsure of the lunchroom thing maybe just social distance in there so our kids do not feel trapped in the classroom all day. Maybe we could have some small outlying schools set up like in the old days one teacher for more than one grade. Maybe set up at churches or have trailers set up with a teacher for preK thru 2nd, one for 3rd thru 5th, one for 6th thru 8th, and so one. I know this isn't perfect but its an ideal. I am very concerned about our children through this time. I know they need a school like environment. And the packages that got sent home earlier this year sucked! So thats needs to be fixed if we have to go that route.

As a teacher and a parent, I think person to person teaching is the best and most effective way for students to learn new skills. I support any accommodations needed to support this teaching/learning environment. Thank you for all of your hard work and extra efforts!!

IF YOUR CHILD ALREADY HAVE IMMUNE PROBLEMS LIKE OURS YOU WOULD NOT RISK SENDING THEM TO SCHOOL EITHER.

DO NOT OPEN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM UNTIL A VACCINE FOR COVID-19 IS PRODUCED AND GIVEN .

NOT TO OPEN BEFORE A VACCINE IS MADE AND GIVEN

Not all teachers are as active as others. My sons teacher wasn't as involved as others (like my nephews teacher for example) when this pandemic started home schooling isn't an option for us for that reason. I cannot homeschool my child and having an online curriculum wouldn't work for us do to our home life. My sons attention span to be in front of a computer to learn will only hurt him as he is a hands on learner and needs in person learning. Please please don't close the school due to this it is possible to reopen safely and not due damage to those kids education that needs to be in an actual classroom to be successful.

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Using plexiglass partitions would help avoid masks for students. Teachers could use shields rather than masks. I think it would be possible to break students into 3 groups, A, B, and C. Group A would attend school on M and W, group B would attend on T and Th, and group C would be your at home learners. Fridays would be used to get packets and a weekly lunch box together for these students and to return graded papers answer questions etc via class dojo or email. All students would take a lunch box home for any days not attending school. This grouping would probably result in class sizes of 20 or less students actually attending since some will be home learners so classrooms would be 10 or less.

Fridays would be bus route delivery of food and new packets for at home learners. By closing the library, gym and cafeteria the custodial staff would be able to concentrate on classroom, bathroom, and hallway cleaning. Librarians would use a cart to take books to each classroom to share with the students or do online library or reading activities on virtual boards in classroom. It would be a reading time rather than checkout. Music teachers would bring materials for music in the same way or do virtual sing a longs etc. Recess and PE would be outside (social distanced) activities when possible and otherwise use the classroom. Possibly virtual activities like go noodle for smaller ones and programs for older ones depending on grade level would be used when needed. By doing actual work packets s for each grade level, rather than paper and virtual assignments both, teachers would have only one task type for all 3 groups, would be getting the exact same classwork together for each individual student, and the workload would not be doubled. Also concerns about lack of internet or computer or tablet would be eliminated.

I think they should be out for 2 school years to be safe thank u for your time

If you think for one minute that kids will wear a mask in school for 8 hours a day, you all are more delusional than I thought. And for the record, highland internet WILL NOT support every kid in the county streaming online to do school work every day. So that monopoly will have to be done away with in order to bring in outside carriers to be capable to do this. Which every resident knows WILL NOT happen !!

School needs to be restarted on its regular schedule. Not because of parents trying to get rid of their children, but for some students school is their break from adults, their time to play with friends their own age and to have discipline and activities provided by someone other than their parents.

Stop giving in to the hyped up fear!

Our students need to see each other. Being home all the time isn't good for their emotional well-being.

My child is on the autism spectrum and is definitely missing the in person contact with his teachers and peers. Social interaction is very hard for kids outside of the school setting. Also online learning is not the easiest for a special education student Thank you for all that you do! It will be my daughters senior year at sunbright highschool and basketball practice is already in order, I see no reason to quit now. I can understand taking safety and health precautions like taking temperatures and stuff. But don't close basketball, everything is reopening so why not let basketball go on.

I'm ok with my kids going back to school, but not if they have to wear a mask all day and not have any social interaction.

If a child is or seems sick they must stay home and not count everything against them. Some days in school some days home. Half and half even but they need school and the socializing with other children. Even if they go 2 days and do 3 days at home. They need to be around people . On the MoCo E911 Facebook page they give daily Case # updates, however, they cannot inform us if the cases we have are confined to the prison or if they are members of our community. I could answer this with more confidence if this info were known. As long as MoCo continues to have a small number of cases, I MIGHT feel ok with sending the kids to school....

Get things back to normal!

If there is online schooling, it has to be more than just google classroom. There must be some instruction provided by teachers either by Zoom or some other platform. Would also allow kids to engage with each other.

Kids need to be in school. Clean and disinfect and monitor kids for illness.

I will not allow my child to go back to school until this virus is gone completely. I know that we can not keep kids apart in school. That's why we must teach them remotely.

If the schools physically reopen with students in the building, I would still like to see an option for our medically sensitive students to participate via distance learning.

I have a child with special needs. He gets sick to easy. I don't believe he will be attending school in person.

I think this is all being blown out of portion

I think we should go back without mask. The desk and door handles need to be disinfected daily.