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Dear Cleveland Hill School Community,

I am writing to clarify and hopefully put some of you at ease over the survey that we administered last Friday. This survey was conducted to simply see where our community is at this time in regards to returning to full 5 day a week instruction. This was not in any way requesting a commitment to one instructional model or another. As stated in the survey:

“Please do not take this survey as a declaration that we are returning to full in-class instruction. We are still waiting on the aforementioned guidance, and any discussions about returning to full 5 day a week instruction without it would be speculative.”

“For purposes of this survey, a hybrid instructional model is not an option.”

New York State is presently considering changing their social distancing guidance. If any guidance changes come to fruition, a more comprehensive communication with available options and parental commitments would follow. This will only be possible once we have a clear understanding from the state in this regard.

There are strong opinions on both sides of this issue. I am not a medical professional, and will always follow the lead of those who are medical experts. Anyone reporting that we have already determined what direction we are heading in with regards to the future of our instructional models moving forward is incorrect and speculating, at best. The health, safety and welfare has been, and will continue to be the primary focus of the Cleveland Hill School District.

Regardless of the issue, we will always seek feedback from our community prior to any decisions. I again thank you for your support during these challenging times.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jon MacSwan
Superintendent