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Dear Cleveland Hill School Community;

Our draft reopening plan is now posted at www.clevehill.org/reopen for your review. This plan will be updated periodically as required by guidance from state and local officials as COVID-19 circumstances and guidelines evolve. Substantive changes will be communicated to the school community immediately. Please note that a vast majority of our reopening plan is prescribed by state and federal officials, allowing us little latitude.

All processes, procedures and protocols in this plan align with, meet or exceed the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), New York State Education Department (NYSED) guidelines for COVID-19, the State's "New York Forward" guidelines, along with federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards related to employee safeguards and potential exposure to COVID-19. We have included links to these documents as well for your review.

Individual building level processes, procedures and protocols are presently being developed in committee. Building level plans will align with the District level plan. As sections are completed, they will be added to this plan and communicated to the school community.

Until Governor Cuomo announces a final decision on reopening schools, we cannot decide what instructional model (In-Person, Hybrid or Remote) we will open with. We expect to have that determination by Friday, August 7, 2020. We will announce specifics of how we will reopen, including the instructional model to be implemented, that following week.

On August 12, 2020 at 6:00 pm, I will be hosting a virtual community Town Hall meeting to address questions regarding the reopening plan. If you have any questions or comments regarding this plan, please visit www.clevehill.org/townhall.

I want to reiterate that the health and safety of our students and staff is our top priority, and we are doing everything we can in that regard. We thank you again for your patience and cooperation during this unprecedented challenge.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jon MacSwan
Superintendent of Schools