#ReopenStrong

Family, Student and Staff Survey Results

July 2020
Stakeholder Engagement

In May and June, DCPS conducted stakeholder engagement to help inform SY20-21.

DCPS is working to ensure that we have a safe and successful start to the next school year for our students and staff.

DCPS gathered feedback from our students, families, and staff through surveys and virtual engagements around the preferences and supports needed to safely reopen in the fall.

We heard from approximately 3,400 students, 8,600 families, and 5,200 staff over the past few weeks.

The survey results show most of our community would like to see:

- A hybrid schedule that is consistent and predictable.
- School operations that meet public health requirements around social distancing.
- The ability to choose whether in-person or virtual learning is best for your family.
- Virtual learning for students that offers more structure, a variety of ways to learn, and greater interaction with peers.
The family survey was open from June 3 – June 10.

**11,043**
Total # of Family Survey Responses from **8,612** Families

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**Who did we hear from?**

**What did we hear?**

**Learning Model Preferences**

- In-Person: 52%
- All Virtual: 23%
- Undecided: 25%

In all wards, there was a preference for weekly in-person touchpoints.

**Scheduling Preferences**

1. 2 days in-person / 3 days virtual
2. Alternating in-person / virtual days
3. 1 week in-person / 1 week virtual
The student survey was open from June 3 – June 15.

3,403
Total # of Student Survey Responses

Majority DCPS, <250 were PCS, private/parochial or other non-DCPS students

39% Elementary (3-5)
27% Middle
34% High

Who did we hear from?

What did we hear?

Learning Model Preferences

- In-Person 47%
- All Virtual 23%
- Undecided 30%

Top Priorities for In-Person School
core classes, special classes, community activities, intervention classes

Top Priorities for Learning at Home
more structure, variety of ways to learn, interaction with peers, interaction with teachers

Scheduling Preferences
1. 2 days in-person / 3 days virtual
2. Alternating in-person / virtual days
3. 1 week in-person / 1 week virtual
Staff Survey – Preliminary Summary

The staff survey was open from June 15 – June 22.

5,263
Total # of Staff Survey Responses

3,000+ Teachers
1,800+ Other School-Based Staff
330+ Central Office Staff

Who did we hear from?

What did we hear?

School-Based Staff Likelihood of Returning In-Person

- Undecided: 30%
- Somewhat/Very Likely: 55%
- Somewhat/Very Unlikely: 15%

Top Priorities for Reopening Schools
preparing the building and space to meet social distancing and safety requirements, regular deep cleaning, social emotional learning or community mental health

Scheduling Preferences
1. 2 days in-person / 3 days virtual
2. 1 week in-person / 1 week virtual
3. Alternating in-person / virtual days
What’s Next

We are using this input to plan for a safe and successful start to next school year for our students and staff, and we will continue to adapt our strategy guided by public health conditions.

Decisions we make for the 2020-2021 school year are guided by three principles:

• **Prioritizing Safety** by putting in place robust health and safety protocols for staff and students.

• **Maximizing Learning** by providing rigorous and joyful learning experiences every day — in school or at home.

• **Promoting Equity** by ensuring every student has access to the supplies and supports they need for a safe return to learning.