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To: Stanwood-Camano School District Board of Directors

From: Maurene Stanton, Executive Director of Human Resources

Re: Reopening Schools

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The Reopening Schools committee is continuing its work. The steering committee has broken into multiple sub committees focused on Operations, Teaching and Learning, and Social Emotional Learning.

The Operations subgroup has staff working on the following areas: Food Service, Transportation, Health Screening, Safety, and Maintenance.

Teaching and Learning has teams working on Continuous Learning 2.0, Content Standards (by grade band/level), Grading, Special Education, and Technology.

The Social Emotional Learning subgroup has identified a potential platform to use district-wide and is focused on implementation.

The district completed several staff and family surveys to obtain input on a general schedule for the fall. While most families and staff would like school to resume as usual, it is not possible to bring all of our students back to school while following the guidelines from the Washington State Department of Health. Based upon the guidance from OSPI, DOH, and input from families and staff, we are exploring the following four options in the fall:

1. A/B Rotating Schedule in which students attend classes face-to-face for two days and engage in distance learning for three days each week.
2. Continuous Learning 2.0 for families who do not want their students to come to school for health or personal reasons and wish to continue working from home.
3. Enroll in one of the district's current Alternative Learning programs (Saratoga, Lincoln Hill).
4. Full-time enrollment for our self-contained populations provided we can meet the health standards in these locations.

The district needs to gather more information from both staff and families when we have more fully developed the models above. The number of families wishing to engage in Continuous Learning will drive the number of staff who will need to provide instruction and support in these programs.

The district also needs to work with staff to find out how many staff members, due to health reasons, will need to be provided accommodations when returning to face-to-face instruction.

The district expects to receive a Reopening Schools template from OSPI during the week of July 13. This template will provide the district with all of the information they need to provide to OSPI prior to our reopening.