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Parents and Guardians,

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The State of Indiana has determined the COVID-19 mitigation strategies are to be implemented from the local level. The Switzerland County School Board of Trustees and I have worked with a team of teachers and administrators to create a return to school plan that focuses on COVID-19 mitigation strategies but also provides the best academic setting possible for the 2021-2022 school year.

Information collected during the 2020-2021 school year determined the virtual option for students resulted in a lack of academic success for the majority of students. When the decision was made to eliminate the virtual option for students in the spring of 2021 COVID-19 positive cases had drastically declined from the fall of 2020 and the early winter of 2021. The Delta variant of COVID-19 has recently increased community spread to a point to reconsider the virtual option. As a result, a virtual option will be made available for students during the first semester of the 2021-2022 school year. Switzerland County community and Switzerland County School Corporation active positive cases will continue to be monitored during the first semester. Using this information, the virtual option will be re-evaluated in December 2021 to determine the possible continuation of the virtual option for the second semester of the 2021-2022 school year.

To enroll in the virtual option for the first semester of the 2021-2022 school year, a parent must complete the enrollment form. (available on the school website or at the school) Students must meet certain requirements to enroll in the virtual option and students must maintain those requirements throughout the first semester. Once the form is completed it should be submitted to the front office of your child's school. The principal will then approve or deny the request. Previous performance and attendance will be taken into consideration. Continued enrollment in the virtual option will require daily log in attendance and completion of assignments.

The virtual option is one more strategy we want to provide for students who have at risk health conditions or family members within the household who may be at risk. Our goal is to remain in session for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year with in person learning available to all students. We will continue to allow parents the choice to have their student wear a mask. It is highly recommended students wear a mask while at school and in any situation they will be under three feet from a neighboring student. All students are reminded they must wear a mask on the bus due to a federal mandate.

To remain in session throughout the school year for our on campus students we must be able to staff all positions. To help in that effort we are requesting any community member who would like to substitute teach, sub in the cafeteria, sub as a custodian, sub as a bus driver, or as a teaching assistant to please contact our central office at (812) 427-2611.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr. Rod Hite, Superintendent
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