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Raptor Families,

Our leadership team and school board have established two learning plans following the new state guidelines outlined in state bill 654.

The first is a large-scale remote learning plan to address in the event of an emergency situation: including severe weather, power outages, a shut down by the health department due to widespread Covid outbreak quarantine due to community spread, or shortages of staff from either illness or quarantine. This plan will be substantially similar to the remote instructional delivery model from last year.

The second plan is a virtual learning program for individual students in short-term circumstances which prohibit or otherwise preclude them from attending school for in-person instruction. Examples of this include but are not limited to: special health concerns of the student or immediate family, "long haul" COVID symptoms, or other similar issues.

We continue to maintain that in-person learning is the best option for children's academic, social and emotional development and will continue to operate at a fully in-person capacity.

Any family who has special circumstances and may benefit from a temporary virtual learning plan should submit a request to administration including medical documentation that supports your request. These custom virtual learning plans will *not* look like the synchronous remote instructional delivery model we implemented during the 2020-2021 school year. However, we will do our best to provide as much instruction and support for your student during his or her emergency to ensure the best possible learning outcomes.

Please email your child's school principal directly if you would like to discuss moving your student into a virtual platform so we can determine if this program is right for your child, and clarify roles, responsibilities, and expectations.

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