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Dear Sunnyside Families –

We hope this communication finds you and your families healthy. Today, we want to provide you with our preliminary plan for a responsible reopening of school based on the principles of safety, choice and our promise to provide the best educational experiences for our students.

Thank you for your patience as many students, parents, community members and staff have invested hundreds of hours into developing this preliminary plan for a responsible reopening. Over the last few weeks, our committees have been meeting regularly to develop recommendations for:

- Workplace conditions and safety protocols
- Curriculum and instruction
- Social and emotional wellbeing of students and staff
- Parental perspectives on reopening options
- Logistics, scheduling, food service, transportation, health screening and more

Cases of COVID-19 continue to increase in Arizona and we understand the health and safety concerns that many of you have. We also recognize the importance of returning to school and are **committed to opening school on August 5 in a responsible and safe manner**. For this reason, we have identified several options for families to consider as they determine which of these will best meet their needs.

To view our preliminary plan for reopening along with the educational options available to families, please click here: susd12.org/responsible-reopening

On the Reopening page, you will find the following:

- All the new information and updates pertaining to our reopening.
- The educational options we are considering as we reopen. **Please know that you do not have to select a model for your child at this time as these options may change based on public health and state guidance.**
- Information regarding the safety measures that are being considered to keep students and staff safe.
- A new frequently asked questions section coming soon.

We want to thank you for your continued commitment to Sunnyside and I look forward to welcoming you back on August 5th.



Steve Holmes, Superintendent