

**Important Adjustment to the 2020-2021 Calendar**

At its meeting last night, the Clinton Board of Education approved my recommendation to move the first day of school for students to **Tuesday, September 8th**. This adjustment will allow for additional time to complete the school roof projects that were delayed due to weather and power issues from Tropical Storm Isaias. The adjustment of the calendar will also provide additional planning and preparation time for reopening. Please [click here](#) for an updated printable version of the calendar.

**School-Based Reopening Forums for Parents**

School-based reopening forums are being held on Wednesday and Thursday to provide parents an opportunity to hear from building administrators about their school-specific planning, including school schedules for each of the models. Following a brief overview, school administrators will answer questions from the audience. The information to access these meetings is listed below and there is a set capacity of 500 participants for each meeting. To view recordings of previous meetings, please go to the [Parent Forum Recordings](#) section on our [Reopening Schools](#) web page.

CPS Parent Reopening Forums			
School	JOEL	ELIOT	MORGAN
Date	Wednesday August 19, 2020	Wednesday August 19, 2020	Thursday August 20, 2020
Time	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	7:45 PM - 8:45 PM	6:30 PM - 7:30
Meeting ID	993 0778 9030	918 0955 5783	954 3125 4243
Passcode	YgDpA0	32xpL6	YzBWc8
Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android Device	<a href="#">Click Here to Join</a>	<a href="#">Click Here to Join</a>	<a href="#">Click Here to Join</a>
Join by Phone	+1 646 558 8656 ID: 993 0778 9030 Passcode: YgDpA0	+1 646 558 8656 ID: 918 0955 5783 Passcode: 486251	+1 646 558 8656 ID: 954 3125 4243 Passcode: 294634

### **For Parents of Students Who Receive Special Education Services**

Please see a [letter from Director of Special Services Kimberly Pearce](#) for parents of students who receive special education services. The letter includes important information regarding the planning and decision-making for providing services to students in the hybrid model.

### **Reopening Parent Survey Update**

Thank you to all who completed the survey regarding your plans for your child's school choice for the 2020-2021 school year. We received over 1,000 responses and have provided some details of the data below:

I intend for my child to return to school in-person	79.95% of respondents
I intend for my child to participate in the voluntary temporary remote learning	17.58% of respondents
I am exploring other options for educating my child	2.47% of respondents

Survey data also indicated that ridership on our school buses will be decreased this year, based on more families choosing not to utilize bus transportation in the 2020-2021 school year. Each school will be following up with families who did not respond to the survey so that we have accurate determinations for all students and can complete our planning.

### **Health Assessments for Students Entering Grades 7 & 11**

All 6th and 10th grade students are required to have updated physicals and required immunizations on file with the school health office before entering 7th and 11th grade. Students who do not meet requirements will be excluded from school in September and will not be allowed to enter 7th or 11th grade. Please have these completed as soon as possible and forward to the Eliot or Morgan health office.

The pandemic has resulted in sharp declines in outpatient pediatric visits and fewer vaccine doses being administered, leaving children at risk for vaccine-preventable diseases. The Department of Public Health has decided that it is in the best interest of all students to be up to date on their immunizations for the start of school, and that catch up of children who are overdue for vaccines is logistically feasible. Please see the [current schedule for immunizations](#) and contact your provider if you are out of compliance.

If you have any questions regarding physicals or immunizations, contact School Nurse Supervisor Donna Frechette at [dfrechette@clintonpublic.net](mailto:dfrechette@clintonpublic.net).

**Travel Advisory**

If your travels take you out of Connecticut to a state, region, or country that is experiencing an increase in COVID-19 cases, you must self-quarantine for 14 days. This means that a student would need to return to Connecticut no later than August 24th to be able to start in-person schooling on September 8th. Please see the [Travel Advisory site](#) for more information and notify your school nurse with any concerns.

Please let your school nurse know about taking any extended out of the country travel even if in the summer. Clinton has a policy about requiring TB testing approximately 4-8 weeks upon return if travelling to a high risk area. You will need to contact your child's primary care provider to have this done.