

McCall-Donnelly Joint School District No. 421



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Dear Families,

As many of you know, the McCall-Donnelly Board of Trustees took an action to maintain the current schedule through the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. This decision was taken quite seriously and involved extensive feedback from families, staff, and healthcare providers. More than 1,000 surveys were collected, read, reviewed, and discussed. Feedback was mixed, but there was a consistent theme. While the hybrid model is difficult for many students and families, respondents identified the importance of maintaining the current model through the end of this school year. We also know that in many of our classrooms, especially in grades K-8, having 100% of our students in classrooms every day today would make it impossible to maintain physical distancing in classrooms. Therefore, the challenge is to find a way to maintain the current model, with additional support for some of our families.

In addition to maintaining the current model, we are reaching out to you to learn more about the specific needs of your family. The survey feedback was incredibly informative. For those of you who have specific needs and circumstances that have not been met, we ask that you contact your school and speak with the office staff so that we can better understand your situation and find ways to support you. We will get through this together! We know that each family is different, and we are prepared to work with you to develop unique solutions.

Respectfully,

Jim Foudy
Superintendent
McCall-Donnelly School District

Links:

[Guidance from St. Luke's McCall and Central District Health](#)

[Survey Results- End of Year Schedule Parent Feedback](#)

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