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| Q | How will school work for students who attend New Vision, Career & Technical, Alternative & Seven Valleys BOCES programs? |
| A | Students who attend full day programs or half day Career and Technical Education programs will attend all five days of the week. We will work out individual transportation needs to ensure that all students are able to get to and from the BOCES campuses. |
| Q | It'd be nice for students to have remote visual/video access to teachers that don't comprehend an assignment. I'd suggest "tutor time block" a student can sign up for with an individual teacher. |
| A | We agree and will work to make sure that something is put in place. As always, students are encouraged to email teachers when they need assistance of any kind. |
| Q | For virtual instruction will all teachers be required to use one platform and will interactive instruction be required? |
| A | Yes; Google Classroom |
| Q | How long are the school days and is it set in stone that 2 of the remote days will be "live" virtual days? |
| A | At this time we plan on our normal daily schedule with a hybrid model of 2 days in school for each cohort. When a cohort is not physically in school then synchronous online learning will occur for that group. |
| Q | If a student needs to stay home due to a family member being in a high risk category, will they be Zoomed into the classroom, or just given the "homework"? |
| A | Students are expected to log into all of their classes when learning from home. |
| Q | How are you determining who has what schedule? |
| A | We intend to split the students attending in-person instruction into two groups by alphabet. We will also make sure that students from blended families who have different last names are placed into the same cohort even if their last names are in different groups. |
| Q | Will parents be given the option of having their children learn remotely? |
| A | Yes a 5 day remote learning option is available for families. |
| Q | If school starts in in-person model and we deem that it is unsafe for our children to attend school what are our options? If we need to switch to home-schooling what is the process and when would we need to start it? |
| A | Parents can have their child move to all remote learning from the hybrid choice. Any parent interested in homeschooling should contact our District Office directly. Please remember that home-schooling is very different from remote learning. If you want to switch from in-person to remote, then you will simply send your intentions to us in writing. |
| Q | Any decisions about BOCES and TASC (new GED) degrees or testing? |
| A | 5 day in person instruction is planned. |
| Q | My child attends Seven Valleys, what is the plan for those students? |
| A | 5 day in person |
| Q | If you choose to home school your child, can he/ she participate in sports or extra curricular activities? |
| A | No. Homeschooled children cannot participate in school related sports and extra curricular activities. |
| Q | Will Modified sports be offered? if so, will being a remote learner affect the ability to participate? |
| A | At this time all sports are delayed until September 21st which includes modified sports. We will wait for further guidance from NYSED on whether or not students can play sports while remote learning for 5 days a week. |

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| Q | If you chose to do hybrid learning and end up having a really tough time with it would you be able to switch to full remote learning? |
| A | Parents can have their child move to all remote learning from the hybrid choice. |
| Q | Will the students be able to pick up their Chromebooks before the start of school? |
| A | Yes. This information will be sent at a later date to families. |
| Q | If students are doing the "remote only" plan can they still participate in interscholastic sports? |
| A | Yes. |
| Q | Will virtual students follow the same cohort schedule? |
| A | Yes; all instruction is synchronous and on the same schedule. |
| Q | Will there be weekend assignments or assignments due on weekends like what happened this Spring? |
| A | Homework may be assigned on Friday with a due date of Monday, but nothing will be due on Saturday or Sunday |
| Q | If someone comes down with Covid, does everyone in that person's classes need to quarantine? |
| A | Regarding an instance of a reported covid-19 case in our schools the school district will follow all safety guidelines set forth by the CDC, NYS, NYSED and Onondaga County Department of Health |
| Q | How will the school plays, musicals, and concerts be handled? |
| A | This is yet to be determined but is not ruled out. Virtual concerts and performances may be a possibility as well. |
| Q | What modifications will be done to the HVAC system? |
| A | Yes. Air filters will be upgraded to MERV 13 for both buildings. Venting and exchange of outside air will be increased while school is in session to maximize air efficiency for staff & students. |
| Q | How will the district observe HIPA laws and protect student privacy? |
| A | All personal identifiable information and medical information will be held confidential and all Board of Education policies regarding safeguarding student data and information will be followed. |
| Q | What is considered a mask? Homemade or store bought, etc? |
| A | Cloth face coverings can be made at home or store bought. Please refer to the CDC site on face coverings: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html |
| Q | If we decide to do remote learning will my child still be able to do Chorus or does she have to attend the hybrid model on order to have that? |
| A | Students will be able to participate virtually while doing the 5 day remote learning. |
| Q | Just to clarify, if a student chooses remote learning in September, will they be committed to remote learning until June? |
| A | We are asking families to commit for the entire school year. Requests may be made at any time; however, we may not be able to accommodate requests until specific intervals are up like the end of a marking period. The reason for this is to ensure we have the proper space created for accommodating everyone at once. |
| Q | Will there still be an "activity period" and if so, will it just be available for those that were in school on that given day? |
| A | At this time there will be no activity period. |

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| Q | Can the kids with learning disabilities go to school everyday, to get the one on one teaching they need |
| A | Yes. We are planning on having a 4 day in person option for these students. ALL students will be remote on Wednesdays |
| Q | Why wasn't there an option on the 7-12 survey for all in-person instruction? |
| A | After careful review of the reopening requirements and guidelines set forth by NYSDOH and NYSED the school district has made a decision to go with either hybrid instruction or 5 day remote learning. This will allow us to run our master schedule without sacrificing any programming. For example, some schools have their special area courses (Physical Education, Art, Music, Technology, Agriculture) running all remotely. We did not want to create that type of situation for our students. |
| Q | If interscholastic sports are not allowed, would there be a possibility for afterschool sports (like a club or intramurals) where the kids can practice and play with traveling to other schools for contests? |
| A | All sports are delayed until September 21st. We are hoping to run extra-curriculars following all social distancing and NYSED guidelines and protocols. Extracurricular clubs may be virtual to start. The school district cannot be affiliated with club sports such as AAU, Upstate Lacrosse League, Babe Ruth Baseball, etc. |
| Q | Will you be providing a resource person to address technical questions for both students and teachers? Having one knowledgeable point person available via virtual office hrs. or email could be really helpful. I had something similar in the Spring when I had to go all online in my own teaching and it made a huge difference in my ability to be successful. |
| A | We recognize that this is a necessity for our staff and students and will explore options to meet this need. |
| Q | If we choose to homeschool (due to Covid concerns), can our kids take one or two classes from the school? |
| A | Homeschooled children can not take courses from school. |
| Q | Will the students be allowed to bring their own lunch or will they only be allowed to eat school provided lunches on days that there are in school? |
| A | Students are encouraged to bring their own lunch from home but are not required to do so. |
| Q | Can New Vision students transport themselves to and from Cortland? |
| A | Yes; there are permissions slips required to do so. |
| Q | If Wednesday is a remote flex learning day, how will the teachers be able to finish the required curriculum for the HS regents courses or AP/college courses? It seems like they will have about 40 less instructional days. |
| A | All students will be required to "attend" classes on Wednesdays. Attendance will be taken. The format for the day has to be determined and may change over the course of the year as new and improved ideas emerge. |
| Q | My child and neighbor children are opposite ends of alphabet. We live on a dead-end road where there are only 3 families. Would consideration be given to put these families on the same day if they choose to go? |
| A | At this time, we intend to split the cohorts alphabetically. As much as we would love to accommodate special requests, we will not be able to do so at this time. |