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Dear Raven Families,

While there are yet numerous details to be finalized, the Raven and District team have been working diligently to complete a universal Raven Smart Start School Reopening Plan in place for the first week of August. Currently Raven staff are available during regular office hours 8-4:30 pm. Raven will be opening our offices with limited capacity for face to face meetings starting next Tuesday, August 4th. To ensure we consider health and safety factors for our families and staff, there will be protocols and procedures in place as we open. Details are outlined below.

Understanding it is short notice, we would like to invite you to join us at this week's Parent Advisory Committee Meeting scheduled for tomorrow, Wednesday, July 29th to provide an update along with additional, more specific details.

Highlights of the Raven Reopening Plan

With continued uncertainties and increased community spread, Raven Offices will be opening at Medium **(Yellow)** Risk Levels.

- **Staff and Family Surveys:**

We appreciated so many families and staff providing feedback through the surveys that were sent out regarding how reopening the office could look. The survey responses indicated that almost 80% of families have had their needs being met even with the offices closed. While this is good, we want to meet 100% of your needs.

If you haven't completed the survey, please provide comment at our website:

[2020 Fall Raven Homeschool Reopening Family Survey](#)

- **Offices will be Open by Appointment: August 4th**

Raven staff are available and ready to meet your homeschooling needs for the school year; however, per the Alaska Department of Health & Social Services and the Department of Education, the threat of Covid-19 within our communities is still very real.

- Raven Homeschool Offices will be open for our families on a limited basis.
- Administrative Assistants and Clerks will be available in office to assist families.
- Raven Advisory Teachers and Counselors will work in office limited days each week.
- Raven Advisory Teachers and Counselors will continue to support families telephonically or through online support when working from home.
- To encourage social distancing, families will need to schedule appointments prior to their visit and limit the number of members to 2 visiting the office.
- Workshops and Activities will continue to be provided virtually online.
- Options for In-Office Workshops will be re-evaluated in November.

- **Health and Safety Protocols:**

- Raven leadership is consulting with the State and local medical communities to ensure the safety and well-being of families and staff.
- Visitors will be asked to complete a screening questionnaire prior to appointments.
- Please do not visit the office if you or a member of your family is not feeling well or has had any cold, flu, or Covid-19 symptoms within the past three days prior to your scheduled visit.
- Please cover all coughs and sneezes and avoid handshakes.
- Staff will be required to wear face coverings in common areas & while with families;



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- Visitors will be required to wear face coverings while visiting the office;
- Touch-less hand sanitizing stations, face coverings and gloves will be available;
- Social distancing will be practiced at all times;
- Appointments will be required and limited to 1 family at a time in the office with no more than 2 members of the same family in attendance.
- Hospitality stations (coffee, tea, and water) will be discontinued at this time.
- Staff will be screened daily when working in the office.

• **Communication:**

We know how important it is for our families to have accurate information.

- Staff are available via phone and email during all office hours.
- The status of our offices will be posted on our website.
- Weekly Smores will provide current information and updates.

As the situation is fluid and we see changes, our proposed draft plan may be revised depending upon transmission increases and spikes of COVID-19 in our Raven communities. If a Raven Office moves to the **RED Category**: Offices will be closed and all employees will work from home.

A big thank you to community leadership, staff, PAC members, and our families for sharing input about creative ways for Raven School Reopening that aligns to the CDC guidance for schools! Raven will continue to adhere to the CDC requirements and follow the guidance from the local and state medical communities. The health and well-being of our staff, students, and communities is one of our top priorities. We look forward to serving you and your students this school year.

Sincerely,
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Definition of a Low, Medium, and High Risk School Environment Per Community

High Risk	<p>Widespread community transmission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High level of community transmission: Outbreaks or increases in cases and recent laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19.
Medium Risk	<p>Some community transmission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low to moderate level of community transmission: Minimal amount of laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 as determined by community.
Low Risk	<p>No community transmission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the last 14 days, and no reported increase in the number of cases over the last 14 days.

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