

RANCHO SAN DIEGO TOWN HALL MEETING (May 22, 2020)

1. Distance Learning

- Going well
- Mixed: 4th grader ok, 30 min. Daily, 1st grade - more challenging to engage with CB activities
- Mixed: started off well, students are now bored with distance learning
- Extra resources from teachers helping to supplement playlists and provide more learning opportunities for students
- Screen time varies with respect to teacher contact (zoom anywhere from 30 - 90 min. Per day, depending upon teacher and grade level)
- Feels that teachers teaching them is missing (even video)
- 4-5 weeks to get into groove
- Younger one finishing work in 20 minutes, then teachers reached out and shared data on their student's distance learning progress
- Students finishing work quickly, difficult to keep stimulated... challenging to keep children engaged while parents working from home
- Would appreciate videos to simulate classroom instruction more frequently

2. Childcare

- Would like to be able to go back to work for August/September. Planning how to team up with other families to return to work.
- Employers are determining degree to which they are able to support work from home
- Concerned about going back to work, and what will happen with kids?
- Leery asking grandparents to perform childcare duties
- Childcare in fall, both parents work full-time, from home right now, employers seeking to move back to increased office time. Difficult to gauge - will I need childcare or not? Don't want to take a spot when I might still be working from home.
- Imagines a varied schedule for in-person, on campus learning. Significant to coordinate schedules for multiple students.
- Barely holding on. Make it through the summer. Not sustainable to maintain current system for 12 - 18 months.
- Single parent, feels torn during the day: feels like we're not a great employee and or child is neglected. Would like to see more interaction with teachers, via zoom.
- Thankful for the forum, and the efforts of teachers.

3. School will look different: How will you dream it?

- Any program needs to have: distance learning side, with that modifying the DL program - more facetime with teachers. Leaning to 3-2 model... 3 days one week, 2 days the next week. Want the social interaction. What is going to happen with childcare on campus? Distance learning model has to be enhanced... right direction. Still need to further enhance in order to ensure DL platform upgraded relative to what is happening now.

- Talking points about what would it look like? No one advocating 100% on campus, but really looking for opportunity to socialize. Parents in role of forcing the social interaction via zoom, and it's not ideal! Also prefer to avoid 100% DL!
- Social interaction important. AM/PM program discussed - not sure about working around work schedules. Want option for 100% DL if desired.
- Lack of social interaction biggest concern. Learning how to interact. Coordinating schedules with other campuses/students of different grade levels.

From Chat:

being a frontline healthcare provider it has been difficult. my kids are on their own at times. it's difficult to know what is going on when both parents are not available to supervise. I'm so ready for the kids to go back to school.

From Parent 1 to Everyone: (09:15 AM)

The ACTUAL teacher doing the teaching MATTERS!

From Parent 2 to Everyone: (09:16 AM)

It has been difficult for me (2nd grader) because I am a single mom who is still working (teleworking) from home. Luckily I was able to get approved for FML to only work 20 hours for the rest of this school year. But my son is the kind of learner who needs me to sit with him to focus and complete tasks. It is difficult when I have to do my job at the same time (telehealth visits with my clients)

From Parent 3 to Everyone: (09:17 AM)

@, hugely! In SDUSD, we are required to be in contact with are kids for at least 2 hours a day and honestly, as the teacher, I can't imagine not doing that. I guess it just depends on what the district decides.

From Parent 4 to Everyone: (09:19 AM)

My wife and I are extremely appreciative of the Emergency childcare that is offered. My wife and I both being frontline workers makes it very difficult to balance the work/school balance.

From Parent 5 to Everyone: (09:20 AM)

I am hearing from a lot of my families, and also on social media that many people don't feel comfortable sending their kids back in the fall due to high risk cases at home. Will there be an option for kids to continue to do distance learning so that they do not have to leave the district to do homeschooling?

From Parent 6 to Everyone: (09:23 AM)

The "unknowns" is the hardest part

From Parent 7 to Everyone: (09:23 AM)

we are the in the same boat as many are sharing, home now, but as I return to work, the unknowns of fall and daycare

From Parent 8 to Everyone: (09:25 AM)

Such an important question: How will kids with compromised health be accommodated?

From Parent 9 to Everyone: (09:27 AM)

How does this look for parents/caregivers who work in education (not just CVUSD) when not all schools follow a traditional calendar (e.g 4x4 etc)

From Parent 10 to Everyone: (09:28 AM)

@, that is what I am concerned about. I teach in a different district. I am very worried about different districts adopting different plans:(

From Parent 11 to Me: (Privately) (09:56 AM)

I have been knocked out of 3 of these break outs. I am at work and want to emphasize that I feel these kids need to go back to school. I work in the busiest covid impacted ED in the county and I feel it is very important that these kids get back to school. The more that they can be at school is important. Please pass this info on.I have to log off and get back to work. Thank you for all you do!! I am exposed everyday and with protection we all will be okay.

This is not just about childcare. My kids have been surviving on their own. They need to learn and have more interaction than digital learning. Let's get these kids back to school in some sort of safe fashion.

How will the teacher do distance learning with the kids while they are teaching kids daily in the classroom? Will there be a different teacher to cover the distance learning part or how will this look?