

WD HALL TOWN HALL MEETING

How has distance learning affected your life?

- Parent
 - Juggling zoom meetings for 4 kids is a little challenging because of wifi capabilities
 - We're also doing extra things in our class because I know the playlist is getting a little redundant for kids.
 - I appreciate that our principal has given money to the teachers so they can provide supplies. It was great that we could go pick up a big box of supplies that our kids could use at home.
 - Like the flexibility that kids can do the playlist whenever. So if they want to do it all on Monday, they can.
- Parent
 - Distance learning is working because I'm now working at home.
 - No clue what's going to happen once I have to go back into the office. My childcare is my elderly parent and I'm not going to expect them to help my kids because they're both on IEPs. They need somebody helping them to keep going and tell them they're doing it right and they're ok.
 - My kids are kind of getting bored now.
- Parent
 - Love distance learning.
 - I agree about changing up the playlist.
 - Maybe a little more work.
- Parent
 - Really nice having Fun Fridays
 - Son looks forward to virtual field trips at the end of the week.
 - Also the small groups that she teaches during the week.
- Parent
 - I work full time.
 - Don't know if there's just not enough work.
 - I can't stay on top of all this stuff.
- Parent
 - Way that we can check their work? I want to see how she's doing.
 - Difficult to stay on top of everything because I have an elementary child, a middle school child, and I'm working full time.
- Parent
 - It's really organized.
 - I'm impressed with how easy it is to follow what needs to be done.

- Friends in other districts and ours is way better than what they have. Some of them have paper materials, some of them are haphazard, they're all really impressed. I've shown them picture of our playlist.
- Our teacher is implementing praise for the kids when they're completing things early or with their progress. She's motivated by praise.
- I work full time and it's going to be impossible for me to work and homeschool and I'm a single mom with a single income.

Tamara share screen

How important is childcare to your family?

Tamara discussed childcare at Chase

- Parent
 - If they're going to provide some sort of childcare at W.D. Hall, they would definitely need more space to do that there.
- Parent
 - Eventually we're all going to go back to work. I have a 9 year-old that I would be concerned with him being home alone and not having anywhere for him to go.
- Parent
 - I might need before and after daycare too if I have to go back to work that's definitely something I will need to look into for the summer and fall.
- Parent
 - It's a concern either way. Concerned about keeping her home and trying to figure out how to work, but also concerned sending her somewhere if she might not be okay.

Tamara talked about benefits of childcare at Chase

- Parent
 - Having childcare is going to be reflective of what we're allowed to do. Like what our school year looks like, when the CDC allows to go back to work.
 - Hard for us to predict what's going to happen to us three months from now or even a month from now when even we didn't think we'd be in this position three months before now.
 - Don't know what we need because we don't know what we're allowed to do.

Tamara intro to last question and breakout rooms discussion

Room 6

- Parents recommend two teachers in each class. One teacher reviews and submits assignments
- Tool for parents to review and keep the parents updated on performance of their children during the week.
- Worried about not speaking English and being limited in their ability to deal with technology.
- Maybe create an instruction video in Arabic and Farsi.
- Parent has her child in charter. They teacher posts video on youtube for the parents on how to solve the assignments. Only the parents watch the video.

Room 1

- Definitely feel comfortable sending our kids back if these things were in place:
- Open line of communication, especially for parents who have extended hours. Be able to communicate without the "normal" office hours.
- Morning screening of students as they entered the campus. Temp check, overall well-being.
- Air quality in the classrooms is at its height. The more it circulates, the more we get out.
- Consistency in days and times they attend school so parents know what to submit to their work.
- Extreme cleaning
- No sharing of classroom supplies

Room 2

- Feel comfortable sending our kids back to school, but didn't talk about a list of demands.
- Giving parents the choice of continuing distance learning.
- staggered schedule is better than half days because of work.
- Will kids be required to wear masks at school because our kids have trouble breathing in them

Room 3

- We could possibly go to a track schedule as long as siblings were on the same track.
- Split days - 2 days per week in session per group. One day for distance learning.
Siblings and families on the same days
- Teachers see children every week for consistency.
- Set schedules are important for childcare and transportation
- AM/PM schedules are okay, but keeping families in the same schedules is key.
- Office Hours like distance learning so students could have 1:1 time with teacher - great benefit

- Students need a routine
- Majority of parents said they look forward to coming back to school in the fall.

Room 4

- Did not like the idea of 1 week on/1 week off because childcare would be very difficult.
- They discussed 5th grade and move to middle school.

Room 5

- Two-hour sessions and every other week is not going to work for families.
- Hybrid could definitely work. Two full days in school, two full days off.
- Maybe team teachers - a teacher teaching online and a teacher teaching in school and they can work it together.
- Maybe the kids only wear masks in passing.

Behaviors - if the kids are having issues with behaviors in class and our kids are only in class 2 days a week, give the teachers more leeway on how to handle those kids with behaviors. Possibly sending them home instead of them spending the whole 6 hours dealing with behaviors in class.

Daycare - set schedule.

Siblings need to be together

Modified playlist where teacher shares the screen and then gives them the playlist.

Projects and book reports so students have something to work with besides the playlist.

Hand washing and hand sanitizer in all classrooms