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Academy Families, July 10, 2020

As we prepare for the 2020-2021 school year we would like to give you an update on the tentative plan for students returning to school in the fall. Based on the governor's directives presented in MI Safe Schools: Return to School Roadmap (see link below), we at the academy are creating three possible plans in order to exercise preparedness during these uncertain times. It is important for you to know that no matter what Phase (1-6) we are in at the start of school, The New Standard is prepared to offer an educational experience in which you feel comfortable.

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/whitmer/MI Safe Schools Roadmap FINAL 695392 7.pdf

Phases 1-3: School is closed for in-person instruction. Instruction will be held remotely through a virtual platform. The Academy's certified teachers have recorded video lessons by each content area standard shared by week to view and complete learning tasks. Grade level teachers will have contact with their students on a daily basis. Each student will have access to family supports, monitoring, technology and food service.

Phases 4-6: In-person instruction is permitted with required safety protocols.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)- Facial coverings MUST be worn in the classroom by all staff and grades 6-12. Students in PreK-12 must wear PPE on the bus and in common areas of the building. Please provide your child with a mask.

Instruction

Option 1: Students will report to their classrooms for *traditional instruction* following all required protocols outlined in the governor's guidance.

Option 2: Students who chose to not return at any point during the school year will actively participate in *blended learning* with their classroom teacher, following the platform laid out in Phases 1-3. These students will also report to the school for at least *549 total hours* throughout the school year.

Option 3: For students who chose not to return to the building for the 2020-2021 semester one or two, you have the option to enroll in our *100% Virtual School*, The New Standard Virtual Academy.



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As always, we value your loyalty to The Academy and we will continue to ensure our children are set up for success. Please look for more information coming in August. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our main office.

Regards,

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