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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

TO: Members of the School Board

FROM: Keith Jacobus, Superintendent

DATE: May 29, 2020

TOPIC/PURPOSE OF REPORT: 2020-21 Fall Planning

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION: Information

DATE FOR BOARD ACTION: June 4, 2020

REPORT

In preparation for the start of the 2020/2021 school year, we have conducted focus groups with various stakeholders to plan for three potential contingencies. The first scenario is to prepare for a normal start to the school year using the social distancing guidelines set forth by the Minnesota Department of Health. The second option would be a plan for a blended approach of partial distance learning and partial in person learning. The third option is to continue in a full distance learning format. We will share the information gathered to provide information on suggested ways to implement each option. Once we have direction from the Minnesota Department of Education, we will use the information gathered to formalize a plan and prepare for our students return in the fall.

As part of our planning process we will be utilizing a "Guiding Change Document" to provide you with input and direction in how the Board wants us to implement the plan the Department of Education will select later in the summer. We have invited Team Works International to review with the Board the rationale behind the use of a guiding change document and how the parameters established will guide the work of administrators in the next months. The Board will review a version of the Guiding Change Document that has been drafted for fall planning and be asked for input.