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Name	Question:
Alfonso	In the online model, how many students will be assigned to a teacher in elementary schools? Also if there is a pool of students from the same school /grade who decide to go online only, will they be part of the the same class?
Alice ong	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the policy if someone on campus is Covid 19 positive?</li> <li>2. Will self quarantine be reinforced if someone on campus has close contact with a COVID-19 positive person?</li> <li>3. If a teacher is exposed to someone Covid 19 positive in campus and decides to self quarantine, will he/she need to take sick day off ?</li> <li>4. If a teacher is having a minor cough due to cold or allergy, will he/she be required to take sick day off?</li> <li>5. Who will decide if a student or staff should be disallowed on campus is that person is having Covid 19 symptoms?</li> </ol>
Amanda Wong	<p>We are a family with two working parents, with long and unaccommodating schedules and a significant commute. As such, we rely heavily on kids corner - usually dropping our kids off at 6:30am and picking them up at 6:00pm. Like many, we are grappling with how we will be able to meet educational needs of our children and the demands of our employers in this new COVID paradigm. We anticipate having to use all of our vacation and personal time, and potentially having to take unpaid leave just to ensure our children are cared for.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Can PVPUSD ensure that families with two working parents with no other options, who have relied on kids corner in the past be given priority for kids corner?</li> <li>2. We support the alternate week schedule over all others. Both because it is more likely to get approved by our employers than the 1/2 day or alternate day schedules, and as you have addressed - should the need for quarantine arise, it will mean less disruption to everyone's schedule.</li> </ol> <p>Thank you</p>
Amy	<p>Hi- sorry, I know this is past the submission date:</p> <p>Question- if students can't go back to campus, is it possible for the teachers to go to their classroom and livestream teach to the students at home? In high school &amp; intermediate school- they could stay on the same period schedule with a 15 minute break in between classes.</p>
Amy Marcus	When parents are choosing an option, are we choosing for the entire school year? Would it be possible to choose a different option later in the school year, like when it changes to the next semester? If a vaccine or treatment becomes available during the school year or the virus becomes more prevalent, parents could possibly want or need to change their plan.
Andrea Costantini	<p>I have two children at Rancho vista.</p> <p>What is the plan for bathroom sanitization? Is it possible to assign custodians or the school cleaning service to full time bathroom sanitization duties? Other countries that are doing better than the United States clean bathrooms after each use and the citizens comply with wearing mask</p>
Andrea Cruden	Why is there so much emphasis on distance learning when only the minority supports this approach? Why isn't there more effort being placed on finding safe ways to physically return to school?
Andrew garcia	What is the plan for kids IEP's to get them the face to face services that are in the IEP?

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Angela Houle	Presuming that at least some of the instruction in the fall will take place remotely, are there plans for creating a set of guidelines or standards that teachers should follow to create clear expectations and accountability for the students regarding attending remote classes and assignment completion, so that each teacher is not creating their own unique system? I realize this was unavoidable in the spring, and the teachers were herculean in their efforts to sustain learning under very difficult circumstances.
anita Cowling	I personally believe a half day school schedule will be the best option. No breaks, no lunches. But, if school were to last a full day, how would you handle keeping the restrooms sanitized to prevent possible virus spread?
anita Cowling	If a covid vaccine is successfully developed, will the school district require that all students be vaccinated?
Anonymous	I teach in another South Bay district, Within a couple weeks of the shutdown, we had a contract amendment to reflect distance learning support and expectations during the shutdown. As a result, staff was clear about working parameters for teachers and how the district would support them.  From what I understand, contractual agreement did not happen in Pvpusd during the shutdown. I would venture to say that this lack of agreement or cooperation was reflected in the vast range of educational support my children received.  Since next school year will likely include some type of distance learning, what will Pvpusd do to ensure there are agreements with and supports for their teachers?
anonymous	Are considerations being given to air quality, in classrooms, with air conditioning, etc as aerosolized virus has been shown to linger in air for up to several hours?
Anonymous	If you select a hybrid model consisting of Group A Mon/Tues and Group B Thurs/Fri, or a hybrid model consisting of weekly groups, will you allow families with multiple children to be in the same groups so the siblings can attend school on the same days? Thank you.
Anonymous	Why do you continue to ask for teacher and parent input knowing you're just going to do your own thing?
Anonymous	Will you be ensuring child care AS PREVIOUSLY OFFERED via PV Kids Corner for our community to facilitate employed parents to continue providing for their respective families?
Anonymous	Will you require flu vaccines
Anonymous	Are any considerations being given to the recirculation of air in the classrooms? Dr Osterholm and the Chinese restaurant study showed inefficient air conditioning or ventilation can spread droplets and aerosolized particles for hours in enclosed environments.
Atsuki Maeda	Currently, the use of field at schools are permitted for individual use such as walking, running, etc. When are you planning to permit the team sports such as baseball, soccer, tennis and basketball using schools's field?
Aurora Petts	Are you coordinating with the PVPTA to possibly add buses to increase social distancing and how often will the buses be cleaned? What will be done to keep the students who use the PVPTA buses safe?
Bill Sewell	I saw recently that the PVPUSD hired a number of "Interventionists". How do you see the mix of teachers vs other specialists on staff, such as mental health, when the financial health of the District is in free fall but the mission is to teach students?

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Bill Vasilion	<p>My family is submitting the following questions to you in regards to the fall school session.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Does the teachers employment contract limit the amount of teacher time devoted to distance learning for the students?</li> <li>2. What steps has the school district taken to train the teachers on the use of technology for student distance learning?</li> <li>3. Is the school district committed to deploying a single distance learning application for all students?</li> <li>4. What health protocols have been enacted by the school district to address the management of students , staff and teachers that may come down with symptoms of covid-19 while on campus?</li> <li>5. Has the school district identified spaces to quarantine students, staff and teachers if they come down with covid-19 symptoms on campus?</li> <li>6. How will each campus screen entering students, staff and teachers for symptoms of covid-19 when entering campus?</li> <li>7. Has the school district purchased hand sanitizer stations to be distributed throughout each school campus? 7.a. Where will the stations be located on campus?</li> <li>8. Will the school district provide for face masks at each school campus?</li> <li>9. Have teachers and administrators been trained on recognizing covid-19 symptoms in students and staff when on campus?</li> <li>9.a. What training have the teachers and staff had to remediate a possible symptomatic covid-19 student on campus?</li> <li>10. What sanitizing protocols of the school buildings and facilities will be in place when the new school year starts in the fall?</li> <li>11. Will the school district provide covid-19 protocols and policy's for family's to follow?</li> <li>12. If 6 foot spacing between students is required within each classroom, how does the district intend to address the space requirements needed?</li> <li>13. Has the school district purchased computer tablet/notebook sanitizing devices?</li> <li>14. Are the teachers being trained to conduct class in a hybrid model, several days per week distance teaching and several days on-campus teaching?</li> <li>15. What are the school district protocols for notifying students, teachers and staff of possible exposure on campus?</li> <li>16. What are the contact tracing protocols that the district has implemented for the new school year?</li> <li>17. And, how quickly will those attending the school and classmates be notified of a possible covid-19 infection?</li> <li>18. Will school sports, clubs and PE be offered in the fall?</li> <li>18.a. Will there be remote physical training and social alternatives to organized sports and clubs if on campus activities are limited or not permitted?</li> </ol>
Birte Pflieger-Cullinan	<p>What is the district doing to help teachers prepare for more remote instruction? Is the district offering voluntary, compensated training for more effective student engagement and assessment in online teaching?</p>
Breta Beck	<p>How will the district provide Special Education Services, in particular Speech and Language Services, if the district went to a hybrid model?</p>

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carie norkin	<p>Since handwashing is utmost important in the prevention of the transmission of disease, what plans does the district have to implement handwashing stations as opposed to them using the baby wipes (they had historically been told to use).</p>
Carolyn Lizdenis	<p>What online learning/communication software has been chosen and how will teachers get trained on it during the summer if they don't work in summer?</p>
Catherine Xiao	<p>It's very difficult to make a decision now. Curious when is the latest we can select either distanced learning or the school options? For me, it depends on the Covid-19 outlook by then. Hopefully the district will have well developed plans for both options.</p>
Chinyarai Hamilton	<p>We are all very concerned about the psychological effects of quarantine on the children, but what impact do you think it will have on them if they keep having to stop going to school because someone tests positive? For example, what is your suggested plan for when there are back to back positive tests in a classroom? What happens when the class is forced into a 14 day quarantine and 3 days after they return to school someone ELSE tests positive? Do you send the children home after being back for 3 days for another 2 weeks? How do you handle that? I'm concerned about how the constant unknown of when they will have to leave school again and again (and return) can effect the children. Thank you.</p>

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Christine	<p>2 Questions:</p> <p>1) If the current case counts continue to skyrocket, would the district still consider opening? It seems that if Italy or New York suddenly opened their schools while they were at their peaks, the world would have frowned upon that act as extremely irresponsible. It seems to me that the district should only open when case counts are declining and the peak is over.</p> <p>2) If the district did open, what is the action plan if a student or teacher tests positive? Will all students be notified immediately? Will all students in the class have to quarantine for 14 days?</p>
Christine Chapman	<p>On a hybrid schedule how will students be grouped? By last name? Should blended families with different last names that are not all linked together through Aeries contact enrollment to let the District know we need to be place on the same schedule. ????</p> <p>For ex, my son has one half sibling on his father's side....and two other half siblings on his mother's side. My son's siblings on his mother and father's side are not linked on Aeries but we are a blended family and we all support each other so we need to be on the same schedule.</p>
Craig Van Rooyen	<p>Children with special needs are not able to participate in an online model. Will they be left behind without support if on campus instruction does not continue?</p>
D Snow	<p>What kinds of parent engagement activities do you anticipate that teachers and schools will participate in for the 2020-21 school year?</p>

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<p>Dan Dempster</p>	<p>Thank you - teachers, parents and students - for all your efforts and kindness to each other during these unprecedented times.</p> <p>I'd like to suggest that District consider sourcing and recommending transparent masks for teachers and students for their return to school in the Fall.</p> <p>My son is hearing impaired - he wears cochlear implants. He was excelling at PVIS, loving every moment of 6th grade until shutdown. In addition to the difficulties everyone was experiencing in adjusting to home quarantine and distance learning, he was struggling with just being able to fully understand his teachers online, until one of them figured out how to jury rig subtitles for him using PowerPoint with Teams.</p> <p>I understand a more durable subtitling solution for Teams has now been developed and is available for everyone.</p> <p>Without a visual component, my son finds it difficult to interpret the nuances of speech. Watching movies, learning online, he relies upon subtitles to fill in the gaps. In person, he lip reads.</p> <p>Returning to school is going to be a different world. In addition to the distancing, scheduling and probable remote component, it is a given that everyone will be masked up.  Without being able to see micro movements in lower facial expression, it's going to awkward for everyone to interpret nuanced communication and emotion. For my son, it's going to be a real challenge.</p> <p>For everyone's success and well-being I'd like to suggest that District investigate sourcing/recommending transparent masks for teachers and students. It will vastly improve teacher and student engagement, retention of interest and morale.</p> <p>The children are going to be a ecstatic to return to school. How much better it would be for them to see their friends' and teachers' smiles of welcome while protecting each other!</p> <p>Thank you again for your all your hard work and consideration.</p>
<p>Dana S.</p>	<p>Can you provide an understanding as to what measures have been discussed so far in regards to providing services for IEP students remotely for the upcoming school year.</p>
<p>Daniel Chi</p>	<p>How does the school district ensure that there is no stigma on students wearing PPE; e.g., face mask and gloves, etc.? The science is clear, as the Dr. indicated in the meeting. However, it has been so politicized that as a parent, I do not want my child to be subject to additional pressure in this already challenging time.</p>
<p>Darrell Saldana</p>	<p>How will AP testing work this upcoming school year? I heard from other parents that the APs that just past were a joke, with some students taking them at 1 am and other ridiculous times.</p>

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David Eaton	<p>Good evening. The state has mandated 240 minutes of high school instruction daily for the coming school year. Our campuses cannot support full-time student attendance -- some sort of hybrid model blending in-person and distance learning will be required. 60% of PVPUSD teachers surveyed are not interested in full-time distance learning. The experiment this past semester was hit or miss. My child is a student at Peninsula High School. Her experience last semester ranged from one teacher who conducted daily classes for the duration of the remote learning experience to another teacher who did ZERO face-to-face instruction for the duration of the remote learning portion of the semester. When this was brought to the attention of the site leader, nothing changed.</p> <p>Given my daughter's experience -- which is pretty typical, based on my conversations with other parents -- how do you plan to manage a teaching staff uninterested in remote learning with site leaders unwilling to enforce the district's distance learning policies and a state mandate for four hours daily of instruction at the high school level?</p> <p>Thank you.</p>
Dawn Wynne	<p>In the event that a class must be quarantined, what measures will be put into place so that the classroom teacher is prepared to transition to 100% online teaching?</p> <p>I understand that teachers will be trained on new software programs, but are there plans to train teachers with blended and distance learning since engagement is quite different than in-person instruction?</p>
Denice Baric	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Covid-19 is a health crisis that extends beyond the borders of the school. Students could potentially be super spreaders if an outbreak were to occur on campus. It is your responsibility to our community to do everything you can to prevent this from happening. Will the school commit to take preventative safety measures such as requiring that student and staff's temperatures be taken before entering campus on a daily basis?</li> <li>2. We live in a competitive district and there may be students who go to school with symptoms because they are afraid their grades may suffer. Will teachers alleviate these fears by being required to accommodate students who are absent due to illness with later due dates for assignments and tests in order to protect that safety of all students, staff and community members?</li> <li>3. Thank you for providing distance learning. If distance learning is to be a success for our students, it is important to have structure and organization in place. It would be extremely helpful and much more efficient if teachers utilized the same platform for all classes. Will PVPUSD commit to streamlining distance learning by having the cooperation of teachers to utilize the same platform for all classes?</li> </ol>

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Denice Baric	<p>Good evening, and thank you for this opportunity for input. My questions are the following:</p> <p>Covid-19 is a health crisis that extends beyond the borders of the school. Students could potentially be super spreaders if an outbreak were to occur on campus. It is your responsibility to our community to do everything you can for this not to happen. Will the school commit to take preventative safety measures such as requiring that student and staff's temperatures be taken before entering campus on a daily basis?</p> <p>We live in a competitive district and there may be students who go to school with symptoms because they are afraid their grades may suffer. Will teachers be required to alleviate these student fears by being required to accommodate students who are absent due to illness with later due dates for work and tests in order to protect the safety for all students, staff and community members?</p> <p>Thank you for providing distance learning. If distance learning is to be a success for our students, it is important to have structure and organization in place. It would be extremely helpful and much more efficient if teachers utilized the same platform for all classes. Will PVPUSD commit to streamlining distance learning by having the cooperation of teachers to utilize the same platform for all classes?</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration.</p>
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Dez Mys	<p>Thank you for an open townhall to allow us to ask questions and express concerns.</p> <p>Further, for allowing us to openly share dialog without moderated questions. We have some tough times ahead, including residents, many of whom will have to make sacrifices because of the CA's new economy, as well as the school district.</p> <p>Questions:</p> <p>Prior to COVID, the quality of education was going down, as measured by the CAASPP standardized test scores going down each year from high schoolers before they graduate. What is the plan to improve?</p> <p>Because of COVID, many students lost three months of education. What is the plan to fill the gap?</p> <p>The PVPUSD financial statement shows our financial health digressing each year. Our auditor writes the Net Position statement (balance sheet) is the measurement to determine our fiscal health*. Our Net Position is negative \$40 million which has gotten worse each year. A comparison of PVPUSD to other school districts ** shows PVPUSD's financial health is in the bottom 5% of all CA school districts. This is not an infrastructure problem; that Measure PV could have addressed. PV residents pay the highest parcel tax in the South Bay (Measure M) What is the plan to address our fiscal solvency?</p> <p>After COVID: The Board (except Mat) approved an amendment to the Union agreements to fully fund employees thru June 30th, regardless of whether they worked. Further, it prohibited the Superintendent from holding teachers accountable for any teaching. Regardless, many of PV's most outstanding teachers provided an incredible learning experience for our kids. How will these teachers be recognized for their awesome contribution? Which students are selected to get the teachers who did not even try to provide one single zoom session or a lesson plan? Will any subsequent agreements be used again that will prevent the Superintendent from holding Staff accountable to a consistent standard? Aside from teachers, there were many employees who did not have to work; could we afford this? Does PVPUSD, like LAUSD, plan to provide free summer school to address any gap in learning? Is educating our children the top priority?</p> <p>* Source: 2019 PVPUSD Audited Financial Report (CAFR) page 6</p> <p>** <a href="https://moorlach.cssrc.us/sites/default/files/181002_CASchoolCAFRReport.pdf">https://moorlach.cssrc.us/sites/default/files/181002_CASchoolCAFRReport.pdf</a></p>
Diana Radakovic	I reviewed the costs for getting remote licensure for the different grade sets posted, and what will be the cost of school loss if there are outbreaks between students which will prevent children from physically attending school, and in turn infect families who would result in further decreased school attendance (from siblings) and parents/ caregivers unable to return to work (and thus loss of further wages)?
Dina Joseph	When school resumes in person, is it possible to take students temperature upon arrival to campus - similar to procedures which will be implemented upon the opening of Disneyland. Will students be required to wear masks?
DR DIANA RADAKOVIC	With current inability to fully contain the virus due to cross the board noncompliance with protective measures (Masks) and social distancing request, how does the board propose having the physical return of students in the same space during classes and transferring in between classes when 6 foot of space between people is near impossible with the large number (i.e. over 2000 students just at PVPHS as an example).

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DR DIANA RADAKOVIC	In the recent resurgence of covid 19 cases due to relaxation of social distancing procedure and failure of ALL people in various settings to wear masks (including students) and social distancing between individuals, how will the PVPUSD (or any school district) IMMEDIATELY ENFORCE PROTECTION in the school setting to protect our children? Will their be enforcers who will remove the offending individual/ student until they comply with the public safety requirement at all times?
Elizabeth	How will the district ensure the safety of their employees that have to work at the preschool given that students of a very young age (i.e., age 3-4), particularly students with special needs, can't understand the concept of social distancing? Similarly, how will the district ensure the safety of those students since, again, they find it difficult to distance themselves from their peers?
Elizabeth Sosa	What is the plan for sports? High school students need the physical activity and exposure for college
Ellie Brisbin	Dear School Board Members,  Ellie here, a PV school parent and admin of PV Parents Facebook group. Here is feedback I gathered via a poll in the group (taking a bit of a different angle compared to the PVPUSD "Return to School Survey"). The poll has a very small pool of respondents (216 total) and is not separated by TK-5/6-12 grades, but nevertheless, perhaps these results can offer some insight.  Poll Questions: I WILL SEND my child back to an in-person school setting only if face masks ARE required. (51 votes, 24%) I WILL SEND my child back to an in-person school setting only if face masks ARE NOT required. (18 votes, 8%) I WILL SEND my child back to an in-person school setting either way. (112 votes, 52%) I will NOT SEND my child back to an in-person school setting either way. (35 votes, 16%)
Emma Kishita	For those that may not tolerate face masks can kids wear faceshields?
Ethel Rowe	Hundreds of people (students and faculty), assembling five days a week, is exactly what the CDC is warning us not to do. I am concerned that the PV Peninsula will see huge increases in the number of cases, as a result of these mass assemblies. What is your plan to keep our community safe?
Federico Libertini	Face shields vs masks? Are they equally effective? Will both be allowed?
George Abele	This past Spring, several teachers provided no direct instruction, whether live via Zoom or by recorded videos. If some portion of the Fall semester will be distance learning, is there a plan in place to require teachers to engage in actual instruction daily, either live or recorded?  This past Spring, the absence of a 7:00 to 2:45 class schedule led to chaos and minimal learning. This Fall, will the District and School Administrators enforce a daily teaching schedule according to normal school hours?
Georgina Pattison	What will happen if a student or teacher in any class tests positive?

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Grace	With the number of cases being much higher than when it was deemed unsafe to be in school in March, and rising on a daily basis, why is the board and District not focusing their efforts on ensuring that teachers, staff and students are all properly equipped for full distance learning in the fall? It seems there is an air of denial that we will be able to safely reopen in the fall. This is putting our staff and students at risk. Instead, the board should be focusing on how to deliver effective and equitable distance learning instruction so that all students and teachers are comfortable come the start of school.
Grace	How will the District enforce social distancing and mask wearing as well as other safety protocols on campuses?
heather wright	Will sports be played at the MS and HS level? If so, which ones? And do they need to wear a mask?
Heather Wright	Can kids choose to wear masks and/or face shields? And are the masks/face shields required at the elementary school level?
Heather Wright	Is it possible that the kids can attend school full-time in the Fall?
Heather Wright	Is the hybrid model and the online model™s intent to continue for a full academic year? Or, is there a possibility that kids could attend school full-time in the Spring?
Heather Wright	If we choose the hybrid model, will my children™s teachers be the same teachers for their online portion?
Hideki Maemoto	If somebody had contracted C19 earlier, have they really developed antibodies? If so, how long do those antibodies last? I am a little unclear in terms of what Dr Kazan said
Hideki Maemoto	If there is a hybrid model for the upcoming school year, what is the protocol for if and when a student/teacher/administrator, etc. tests positive for the coronavirus?
Hideki Maemoto	During the summer, there will be a sizeable population of our district who traveled to Arizona and Nevada for athletics since those states opened up. Those states are experiencing exploding # of cases, and these people could be bringing it back to us. I realize we cannot control everybody™s behavior but what are your thoughts on this? I am frankly very worried
Hideki Maemoto	I have another question about Dr Kazan™s comment. He said that the mortality rate for kids who got C19 is virtually zero. I™ll take that at face value but what about the long term breathing issues, off and on fevers, etc that we have been hearing about for even those who have supposedly recovered from the virus?
Hideki Maemoto	I am involved in the PPE industry and please clarify regarding KN95 masks as they are not the same as N95s. Until C19, the US government did not allow KN95 masks into our country so please do not treat them as the same
Hollie Brekke	If students alternate weeks or days to allow for smaller in-person class sizes, will efforts be made to keep children of the same families on the same days/weeks?
Jasen Li	How much would we save, if anything, if the whole district had remote learning for all of 2020-21? How much if we had remote learning for just elementary kids who would have the toughest time following social distancing? I understand there are two sides and that parents need to work and some kids need to be in the classroom, but of all the districts in CA, these parents have the resources to handle it best without mortgaging our future with school budget deficits. My friends in Asia practically guarantee we will have to shut down schools at some point. Why start and have to go to distance learning again where the transition is a cost, health could be a huge risk and liability (will students/families have to sign a waiver not to sue the district?), and there could be financial savings (facilities, staff, etc.)? Any hybrid model would be inefficient, disruptive, and require child care/home tutoring costs anyway.  Thanks for listening.

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Jay Hayashi	First of all, thank you to all members participating in this town hall meeting. Your commitment to our children's education and safety is greatly appreciated. My question: Is the district discussing how the school facilities are being prepared for a return? Specifically around HVAC - filtration, air change rates, and outdoor ventilation. These aspects of the HVAC system are factors that can directly impact the safety of the facilities and its occupants. These factors are recognized by the CDC and ASHRAE (American Society of Heating Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers). Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Jay Hayashi
Jeanine Hoffmann	For the students that are attending class in person, what is the plan if a classmate tests positive? Will everyone in the same class be asked to self quarantine or will students be allowed to transition to distance learning for a certain time period if they wish?
Jeannie Hahn	How will you enforce proper masks (Covering nose and mouth) wearing for students? What will be the consequences if a student/parent refuses to wear a mask to school?
Jeannie Karlitz	<p>This is trending on social media by parents...</p> <p>What does the teachers'™ contract say about working this summer? Will the teachers be mandated to attend summer training and beta testing the new Learning Management System? Will they get paid? If they will not train during the summer on the new LMS, how and when will it be implemented?</p> <p>Some teachers claim to have been working since the last day for free of school and plan to all summer and others stand by the union and will not do any work outside contracted hours. The community needs to understand the expectations for teachers and the timeline for training and beta testing. Thank you.</p>
Jeannie Karlitz	I am concerned that 2 hours may not be enough for all of the questions and comments for the Town Hall. Where will the community be able to access all of the submitted questions (not just those presented by the moderator) after the meeting? I am assuming that questions that were unaddressed will also be answered on a Q&A/FAQ page.
Jennifer	<p>Hello,</p> <p>If we do have hybrid school setting, would all the "lectures" be on zoom and the "discussions" be in person? I think this will help the teachers speak freely without wearing masks if the lectures are online? The discussions can be done with teachers answering with face shields and remove masks.</p> <p>How would a quiz or test be taken?</p> <p>If a student is on 504 plan, how do you give more time for test and assignments if it is online?</p> <p>Will the school hire more custodians to clean the bathrooms, lunch tables, and class rooms frequently?</p> <p>Will the school provide hand sanitizing stations, sanitizer wipes in classrooms and soaps in bathrooms?</p> <p>Maybe ask the teachers to give extra credit to students who bring hand sanitizers, sanitizer wipes and who help wipe down tables?</p> <p>What will happen to sports? Will the students be asked for participation and supply donations even though they are not sure of season? What will happen to PE if they are not on a team (yet)?</p> <p>Thank you for taking my questions and answering them.</p>

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Jenny Rooney	In the interest of safety for all, are you considering “calling it” and planning on 100% distance learning until mid or late October and then reevaluating? Will you be adding additional paid prep days for teachers to plan new methods, LMS, curriculum, etc?
Jessica Duran	Will students be punished if they take off their mask or do not follow social distancing 100% of the time?
Jill	1. If a child presents to the school with a fever, how do you determine if it's a routine flu, tooth ache etc or COVID19? Note: the number of positive COVID19 cases is increasing due to the number of diagnostic tests available on the market (vs. March). We should expect to see numbers increase dramatically when the flu season hits in the fall.
John Locano	I would like to know in what situations would a mask exemption for students be given?  Would teachers also be able to have mask exemptions?
Jorge Alonzo	Will the guidance of US Pediatrics be taken into account?  The American Academy of Pediatrics' guidance "strongly advocates that all policy considerations for the coming school year should start with a goal of having students physically present in school."
Joseph Dileva	What are plans for an consistent online Grade level appropriate curriculum that all teachers will implement? We have guarantee of a viable curriculum for all our kids; itâ€™s a crap shoot cause over the past 2 months some teachers piled on busy work while some didnâ€™t require any work. What is the districts objective measure of progress?
Julia Stewart	For Elementary students, will face shields potentially be an option as a face covering?
Juliana Saldana	What will be the procedure if a certain student is diagnosed and experience Covid-19 symptoms?
Juliana Saldana	Are you planning to offer virtual classes for the same duration as regular classes? My expectation for Vistula learning starting fall is for my daughter to be in a virtual classroom during the same hours as students attending school
Julie Lin	My neme is Julie Lin and I am a pediatrician. I just want to send the new guideline from the AAP advocating for children to return to school in the fall. I know itâ€™s not the easy way and there are challenges but our childrenâ€™s welfare is at stake.  <a href="https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-planning-considerations-return-to-in-person-education-in-schools/">https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-planning-considerations-return-to-in-person-education-in-schools/</a>  Thank you for your consideration!  Julie Lin
Kapil Dheeriya	What steps have the Board and administration taken to ensure that student concerns, especially those from our high school students across the entire student body, will be fully addressed or taken into consideration within district policy on reopening? In addition, why haven't surveys or organized feedback from students been considered in the effort to ensure that student concerns over district policy are addressed or at least considered?

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Karen Clancy Aguirre	I would like to know if PVUSD is looking at comparable School District to see their plans to reopen. I have personally seen Conejo Valley USD (Calabasas) and it is very impressive and has a few different options. I think it would be an asset to reach out to some of these districts that are at the same level as PVUSD to evaluate some of their ideas. In my opinion, Calabasas did an incredible job prior to the Covid shutdown and during the shutdown and we should be looking at some of their SOP's.
Karen Craig	Let's get our kids back to school and activities. The survey results show that a large majority (65%) of parents at the high school and middle school levels want their kids back in school without masks and distancing restrictions. For families who remain uncomfortable with sending kids to school, the State provides free online K-12 virtual academies, which even offer AP and honors courses at the high school level. Let's show both common and fiscal sense and a focus on providing EDUCATION to our students. We've learned that PVPUSD will have great difficulty educating the kids under any scenario other than normal, full time attendance. Provide a mid-summer deadline for parents to choose one of two tracks: in person or virtual attendance (through the state). Then staff the schools accordingly. Thank you for your consideration.
Karen Restivo	If there is a hybrid schedule, will students have all subjects each week in person? Or will the teachers only be focusing on core subjects like math and language arts in person?  How many hours a day will high school students go to school if they have a hybrid schedule?
Katie	I understand classroom availability may be low due to smaller class requirements. Will PVPUSD still be accepting students requesting admittance on the Allen Bill?
Katie Traxler	In any hybrid model, why would teachers not live-stream their class so students can learn new curriculum 5 days a week? Teaching live and via ZOOM (or other live-stream system) concurrently is practical, feasible, and provides an optimal outcome. Our capable teachers can make this work.
Kelly	For those families who decide to do 100% distant learning, is the commitment still just for the first semester? And if so will students be guaranteed to return to their home school? How will the district adhere to the smaller classroom sizes with these kids returning?
Kip Theno	Thank you all for your diligence during these unprecedented times. As a society, we have survived several pandemics throughout our history. Although I believe we are ultimately prolonging Covid-19's impact economically and socially, we have learned much. Protect those at the highest mortality risk for one. Our children will never get this time back in their lives. We also know the young of age have an extremely high resiliency and anti-inflammatory response. Shouldn't we, as parents, have the freedom to risk assess and ultimately choose to have our kids go back to school and under what conditions? With the appropriate disclosures, liability release, and protections, how is it possible we do not have the right to allow our children back into a traditional learning environment immediately?
Kiran	After the District decides on a re-opening plan and strategy, how quickly can the District reassess and react to the quickly changing nature of Covid-19? Knowing how dynamic the District can be will influence how comfortable I am with my child attending. If the district has many channels before responding (to an outbreak or LA County area trends), I will certainly feel more cautious and conservative.

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lam nguyen	<p>What are the plans to protect the teachers who are at risk?          What plans will be implemented if children are sick?          Will there be a an option for distance learning if children are sick with illnesses back to back so they won't be behind?          Will there be an two options so those who are at risk or live with at risk family members can opt for distance learning. And those who have no risk or need the school structure for their children can physically attend school again?</p>
Lana Boots	<p>Since regular cold season is coming, I am wondering if my child has cold symptoms and I keep him at home, does he get switched to the 100% virtual education for this period? Basically, can student switch to the virtual education for the period of 10-day quarantine?</p>
Laura Agnew	<p>I understand there's a panel of parent physicians working on specific guidelines that would that allow our kids to return to school in the fall. On this panel, what percentage plans to return their children to school in the fall, and what percentage plans to use distance learning instead?</p>
Lavanya Muppana	<p>Hi,          Can we opt for complete online or home schooling next year? With the unpredictable scenario developing I would like to have a stable undisturbed option.</p> <p>Thank you</p> <p>Best regards</p> <p>Lavanya Muppana</p>
Lesli White	<p>Torrance school district states "Distance Learning (only) Not a pre-packaged curriculum! All classes are being created using the TUSD curriculum and supplemental instructional materials and taught by TUSD teachers. Has this option for distance learning been looked into by PVPUSD? Won't this be more cost effective than a canned program and keep kids with teachers they know?"</p>
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Lori Chong Eurich	<p>I have a senior at PVPHS. Have you considered having students come two a week and then online other days? AP classes need an organized discourse. Thanks for all that you are doing in these very uncertain times.</p>
M Snow	<p>Are you planning to collect data from the teachers, parents, and students who are participating in the current summer school session that is using distance learning? It seems like a great opportunity to hear how each of these stakeholder groups are experiencing half-day distance learning that could inform planning for the next school year.</p>

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<p>Marcus Eliasson</p>	<p>Hi,  This is just a comment, not a question that I need to read.</p> <p>I want to say that I think that it is imperative that the kids go back to classroom schedule in the fall for several reasons:  * As much as the teachers tried using Zoom during the spring semester, it is far different (unfortunately negative) than when the students sit in class and learn. Many times the classes were cut short and the interaction with the teachers was not nearly as efficient as when they meet in school.  * The social aspect of being in school is immensely important for students. It's the way they grow and gain real life experience and, in my opinion, just as important as the schoolwork itself, as least for the first many years in your school life.  * The mental aspect. For those students that are socially deprived to begin with or simply shy in general, staying home and not having the social interaction that the school environment gives you, can be dangerous for their mental health.</p> <p>I urge you not to consider having school being taught through videoconferencing as it is detrimental for our children to be in school.</p>
<p>Maria Kohn</p>	<p>My concern is with regards to the gaps in learning that have been created over the last few months of crisis teaching due to the COVID health crisis. Is there a PLAN in place to assess where students are at the beginning of the new school year Writing, Reading, Language and Math? How will the GAPS be addressed? What tools will be used? Who will be held accountable (and HOW) to make sure the gaps are closed? When will this start (hopefully before 8/26)? Will a policy regarding assessment and remediation be developed to apply CONSISTENTLY across all Elementary school sites?  Student learning must be assessed fairly and gaps in learning should be addressed comprehensively. We are at great risk of producing a generation of students missing basic and fundamental skills. We cannot keep shuffling these kids on to the next grade because itâ€™s the easiest thing to do.  Thank you, Maria M. Kohn</p>
<p>Maria Olvera</p>	<p>I donâ€™t have a question I would just like to join and listen to updates.</p>
<p>Marina Bennett</p>	<p>Should PVPUSD decide to move forward with any in-person schooling before there is any mass distribution of a vaccine, how will the school decide to handle parents who want their students to participate online? Will there be an option for those who donâ€™t want their children in a physical class setting? My questions are more specific to my 5 year old who will be entering kindergarten in the fall and has a 3 month old sister at home. Although I understand the need for childcare for many families, there are those who do not feel it safe to bring children to school yet. Weâ€™re hoping education wonâ€™t come at the cost of either of our childrenâ€™s lives.</p>
<p>Mario Snow</p>	<p>In the spring the quality and quantity of online teaching was dependent on an individual teacher's interest, capacity, technical expertise, IT support and supplies. Will the quality and quantity of the online teaching be more uniform, and how will that be achieved?</p>

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Mark Greenberg	In recent months, board meetings and classes have been conducted remotely, often via Zoom. This is done with medical safety of students, their families and faculty in mind. In less than 2 months, we are considering returning to in-person classes. This presents some level of medical risk for students, their families, teachers and faculty. As an adult who is at higher risk than a child, would you personally feel comfortable being in the shoes of a teacher? If you were asked to meet in person with 150 students on a daily basis, would you personally put yourself and your family at that level of risk? What safeguards would need to be in place before you were comfortable with daily, in-person interactions? I urge each of you to consider yourself in the shoes of the faculty before asking them to put themselves at risk. Thank you for your time and continued commitment to our students and our schools.
Marla Munro	This is more a comment rather than a question. Considering the shown effectiveness of masks in controlling this pandemic, I think the tone should be that of encouragement rather than of flexibility. Let's encourage the kids to join in this effort by doing their part. Let's encourage them to practice wearing their masks before school starts so that they're ready come August. Let's encourage this group effort rather than make it a bigger deal than it needs to be. The benefits are greater than the need for flexibility - which at some point becomes a defeatist sentiment. We're not giving our kids enough credit. Build in mask breaks throughout the day when appropriate. But start from a place of YES rather than maybe. Thank you.
Megan Ebenhack	How can you make a final decision on schools reopening when COVID 19 continues to increase? How can you know the reality of where Los Angeles will be in September? What happens when parents who were planning on sending kids back to school change their mind right before opening b/c COVID 19 continues to increase?
Megan Ross	In Dr. Cherniss's letter to governor Newsom, he asked for face coverings to be optional. If students do not wear masks, the only type of masks that will prevent staff from getting coronavirus as well as spreading it are N-95 masks. Since these masks will only be available to school nurses, how will you ensure all employees are protected from the spread of COVID-19, especially when unmasked students are pre-symptomatic or asymptomatic?
Michael Decker	One aspect that our family (PVIS and Lunada Bay) loves about the PVPUSD school district and our local schools is the commitment of the teachers and overall engagement, however, in March - June we experienced very little of this. Therefore, it is not surprising that the teacher survey resulted in 62% of them stating that they would not want to be Full-time Distance Learning Teachers. How would you maintain the current teaching/education culture while changing or modifying platforms with these results in mind?
Michelle Cuenca Terry	Has the District considered "live streaming" the classes during regular school hours 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., (even if 3 days a week) which will mimic the normal school schedule while students are distance learning? Breaks and lunch will adhere to the same times. Cameras can simply be turned off during breaks. The live streaming method will: (1) allow students to ask questions in real time; (2) allow teachers to respond in real time; (3) eliminate the need for staggered schedules; (4) provide teachers and students with virtual classroom.
Michelle Parker	If the school moves to a hybrid schedule, will there be additional afternoon public transportation available for working parents? A half day of school creates additional issues for working parents.
Molly Hall	Will there be any kind of physical education for our children? Will there be any sports programs for our children?
Nabil Attallah	California governor just announced additional to control the spread of COVID-19 today. How do your plan fit into the state's goal of controlling the spread of the virus which is increasing?

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Nancy Bond	<p>As I understand from many medical professional, the people most vulnerable to COVID would be the adults in the school.</p> <p>A possible solution would be to erect plexiglass in the front of the room to include teacher's desk and white board and not segregate the student sections of the classroom, a reduced class size would be preferable if enough students are willing to take virtual classes.</p> <p>Another thought: For each class that is offered virtually and in person, can a pod cast be created during the in person class and that made available for the virtual class the following day.</p>
Natalya Waloejo	<p>I would like to know how often students would be assessed of their education gaps in the "new" normal with whatever choice each family would make. Who within the district will be accountable for making sure our students continue to excel academically in the education plan? Will parents be given an early warning what this assessment (early intervention) to further assist the students?</p>
Nichole Griffiths	<p>I have an incoming 1st grader and a preschooler receiving special services in the district. I'm curious to hear what ideas are being discussed to make sure these younger children are getting developmentally appropriate breaks/recess time to allow them to recharge, refocus, and regulate themselves in between periods of academics. There are countless peer reviewed studies showing the importance these breaks have on the retention of content, not to mention the importance social interaction between peers plays on development. The AAP recently released this statement regarding outdoor play, specifically addressing playgrounds: "Enforcing physical distancing in an outside playground is difficult and may not be the most effective method of risk mitigation. Emphasis should be placed on cohorting students and limiting the size of groups participating in playground time. Outdoor transmission of virus is known to be much lower than indoor transmission." Could you please share some of the ideas that are being floated around for recess time, and if they do not include the use of playground equipment, what types of activities will be available to the kids for social interaction and self regulation?</p>
Nicole Akgun	<p>At what point would a school/the district completely shut down and go back to fully online learning? If a certain % of staff or students are out sick?</p>
Nicole Akgun	<p>It seems like we could expect many students to be periodically absent for ~2 weeks, if they have a fever or symptoms. How would those students stay academically involved? Would the classroom teacher be responsible for making an independent learning packet? Would they temporarily join the fully online class? (I realize that this may be different for a student who is asymptomatic but has a waiting period vs. a student who is actually sick and may to to rest instead of do classwork... how would they get caught up upon returning?)</p>
Nigel S	<p>With plans for remote learning for many students on the horizon can you share the work progress to date? Which vendors were vetted? Did students, parents &amp; teachers provide feedback? Where are you in terms of finalizing and contracting a final vendor? Will teachers overseeing this learning also be 100% remote? How much time has been allotted to training Parents, students and of course teachers?</p>
Noelle tydlaska	<p>Attached is the current guidelines from aap. Please heavily consider this guidance when making decisions for fall.</p> <p><a href="https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-planning-considerations-return-to-in-person-education-in-schools/">https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-planning-considerations-return-to-in-person-education-in-schools/</a></p>

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Olga Arana	I will have a question after I hear to panel.
Paige Wells	<p>1) How do you propose to split the attending students to achieve social distancing with a hybrid A/B schedule (whether it is 2 days/wk, bi-weekly attendance)â€”alphabetically by last name, by grade, etc? And would middle and high school students be on a block schedule (three 2-hour classes vs all six classes per in-person day)?</p> <p>2) How would middle school and high school PE be addressed with a hybrid model?</p>
Paul Karlitz	<p>When students fail a class they have to repeat that class, or even that grade. When someone fails to do their job properly, they are held accountable and face the possibility of a warning and ultimately termination if they don't correct their actions and do their job properly.</p> <p>Who is responsible for holding teachers accountable for doing their jobs and how will this be done and communicated? This past year, where we saw teachers not teaching their class and just setting up assignments and offering office hours, canceling class at the last minute and not engaging zoom can't be repeated if the goal is to truly educate our kids and prepare them for college and life. Tenure wasn't meant to be a shield for teachers who won't or can't properly educate.</p>

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Paula Borstel	<p>1. Will those classrooms with HVAC systems be cleaned with new filters and fully functional when on-site school resumes? Will CO2 levels be tested regularly (as a means to determine ventilation effectiveness)? Will classes without HVAC be retrofitted to ensure appropriate ventilation or other protocols be established to protect students and staff from respiratory droplets?</p> <p>2. Since wearing a mask helps protect others from asymptomatic carriers, will both students and staff be required to wear masks so that we are protecting each other? Since masks don't protect eyes, will students/staff be required/recommended to wear face shields?</p> <p>3. At the primary schools, presuming a cohort attends morning and a second cohort attends afternoon, classrooms/common areas should be cleaned in between cohorts and either at the end of the school day or before school. In secondary schools, where a teacher might be meeting with multiple groups of students, will the rooms be sanitized between each class? How many classes are expected to be in the room in 1 day? Who will be responsible for the cleaning of each room? What is the frequency of cleaning bathrooms?</p> <p>3. If teachers expected to teach 1/2 of their students (presuming their room is large enough to hold 1/2 at a given time) 2 days a week, and the other half the remaining 2 days, that is approximately 85 students entering an average MS/HS classroom per day. At 15-16 per group, and 40 minutes for each class to ensure students receive 240 minutes of instruction a day per student, is 240 minutes effectively 5 to 6 classes per day. Is 40 minutes sufficient time for students to enter, take attendance and provide appropriate instructional time?</p> <p>4. At the HS, we have been given a preliminary schedule., which includes students that may eventually opt for virtual learning. Would it make more sense to determine the actual number of students learning virtually/hybrid before setting schedules? Rather than having 34 students in a class where 10 are virtual only, and 12 are in each cohort, would it make sense (for classes that historically have large populations) to determine the number of 30-34 student virtual classes, and then divide the remaining students into cohorts appropriate to the number each classroom can hold, not to exceed 174 per 1 FTE? If, say, for 1 specific class, 20 students from Pen and 14 from PV opt for virtual, will both classes be cut because of insufficient enrollment? Combine classes? Classes that historically have less than 30 but are necessary for graduation for certain populations? If 25-30% opt for virtual, will you need to divide the remaining students into 2 cohorts if there are less than say 15 remaining?</p> <p>5. What will the protocols be to determine who is chosen to teach virtually? Will teachers that are in high risk groups or live with family members in high risk groups be given priority if more apply to teach virtual classes than are needed?</p> <p>6. In science classes, is the expectation that all labs become dry labs/virtual labs to avoid multiple students touching shared materials, or facing each other/within 6 ft? Will the district provide appropriate lab software/subscriptions to give a more authentic experience?</p> <p>7. To reduce exposure, would a block schedule (1 class x ~3 weeks/ 2 classes x ~6 weeks; 3 classes x ~9 weeks = 1</p>
Prabhat Nigam	<p>Other day I was scared to death when my son caught cold and fever. He was taking deep breaths in the night, we were lucky to see fever went away in 5 days. He had went for a small walk around our home a day before and he didn't touch anything throughout the walk. So when a kid can catch a flu just by walking then how will he safe in the school from Covid19. How will you ensure the safety of our kids from getting Corona Virus?</p>

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PVE resident	Hello. I've heard that at Peninsula High School proper cleaning and physical distancing protocols are not being followed. This was true during student book returns and for the remaining staff's work areas who are still on campus currently. This is a public health issue for the Palos Verdes Peninsula as a whole. We've had several confirmed cases and with cases and deaths rising (and hospital capacity waning), this is especially concerning. Also, these are unsafe work conditions for the staff. And if proper protocols are not being followed at Peninsula, I imagine they are not being followed at other PVPUSD properties.
Rachel Larkin	How do you justify a hybrid/online program when counties all around us plan on going back to school full time, as normal with limited restrictions?
Raquel	Will there be a home school option? This would be different then the Long Distance learning option that requires online time. I would love to home school through the district instead of removing my 3 kids from the district to do so. Just wondering if there would be an option considering these extreme circumstances. Thank you for your time.
Rehema Rhodes Williams	If the schools open, what precautions will be taken to sanitize the school each day? What methods will be used to ensure the school has been thoroughly cleaned? Which employees will be responsible for cleaning and sanitizing?
Rene Gilbertson	If the Board chooses the hybrid alternative what, if any, barriers are there to live-streaming and recording each class, so that the students have the same curriculum whether they are in person or at home? If we are able to accomplish this, wouldn't it negate the need for a separate distance learning curriculum which is costly to the District and does not appear to offer the same curriculum as students who choose to go back to school.
Rich Heffernan	1. What is the current status of athletic fields ( AVAILABILTY/Requirements for usage )throughout the district .? 2. Where can the public look on the district website for updates as regards to athletic fields ? 3. When do you anticipate a decision on Fall contact sports such as football ?
Richard Arellano	Is there a group of health professionals now employed by the District to oversee Covid19 protection, or will the present staff simply take this on as a new responsibility?
Rob Slane	I see that there are two MDs consulting the board. Why, however, isn't there an expert in mental health consulting is these crucial decisions? The last 3 months have been a disaster for our kids with the lack of social interaction, educational activities and personal growth. Virtual learning did not work for many kids. Are you considering adding a mental health expert for a more well-rounded input of expertise in deciding our kids' school experience?
Roger	How many students will be assigned to one teacher for distant learning at the elementary level?
Sally Canario	I teach an online course at USC where there are interactive lectures, set offices hours for Q&A and recordings of all classes for students to review . Are there plans to ramp up on the standard work for each course whether online or hybrid with recorded course sessions? This last spring, my children experienced an array of instruction, with some teachers going above and beyond to provide the best learning experience. The courses that were well received not only provided through interactive sessions but also offered recordings for later review. Thank you for answering my question.

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Sally Canario	<p>Has the school board benchmarked hybrid models of in-person and online learning? USC Marshall Business School Global Supply Chain Management Graduate level is the top ranked school with in-person and online graduate degree in the nation. It's been in existence for 7 years. Wouldn't you want to emulate what is tried and true versus trying to re-invent online learning standards? Nick Vyas is the executive director if you want to learn from him how he is able to teach globally. There's a method to this. Also some of his professors live in San Pedro, Manhattan Beach and the Los Angeles area—you can benchmark their practices to learn from the #1 online supply chain graduate program in the nation. (1) schedule class meetings in a calendar invite to students (2) have interactive courses which means allow students to virtually raise their hands and ask live questions. Two way communication is important. (3) schedule office hours for students to ask questions (4) record sessions for ability of online students to re-watch. This helps with questions and reduces the number of questions asked during class (5) hire people with online experience—and provide a standard on delivery, quality and consistency. (6) allow for administration to monitor feedback and make adjustments as needed.</p>
Sandra Valeri	<p>How can we use testing to reduce the risk of covid transmission? Can all teachers and staff be tested on a regular basis (to identify asymptomatic and pre-symptomatic cases)? Can we have counties work with schools to provide testing to students (with parental permission of course)? For example, County could rotate mobile testing units with all school districts. If a vaccine is proven SAFE and effective, will the school district consider making it required along with other childhood vaccines?</p>
Shane Noworatzky	<p>Is there a reason why the remote program can't be like regular school where a real teacher teaches lessons, assigns and grades work and has class via zoom? Like the summer school program. That would allow the kids to be engaged and have a real teacher teach them. A remote program relying on videos is a poor substitute and forces people to send their kids back to a likely unsafe situation.</p>
sharon rizzi	<p>If school is part time, will the students be using the online "home school" platform? I would really prefer they do because when the school has a break out and has to close, the students have a universal streamline platform already in place.</p>

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<p>Simone Majka</p>	<p>Dear Dr. Cherniss and the PVPUSD Board, I hear that you are considering a hybrid program this fall that involves students attending school in-person for a portion of the week, on a staggered basis, as well as spending a portion of each week doing distance learning at home. I would like to know how such a hybrid system comports with earlier promises that if our students are to continue distance learning in the 2020/21 school year, the District would employ a formal distance learning program as opposed to the varied and often haphazard approach that teachers were forced to take last Spring? I worry that this hybrid approach will result in the continuance of the patch-work approach to distance learning that proved so challenging at the end of last year. Currently, I have a rising sixth grader taking summer school in the District, as well as a rising twelfth grader doing an online course with Apex. The Apex program provides all of the content and allows students to take and submit tests in one spot. It is a much easier program to manage than what my 11-year-old is dealing with (inadequacies of the Teams platform, a multitude of technology issues across the teacher and students, students forced to print, scan and upload their tests and test answers in real-time, etc etc). Although I am foremost in support of our students returning to full-time, in-person school this fall, I'm not sure I can get on board with a hybrid approach that subjects students to more chaos. For my sixth grader at least, if my concerns about a hybrid program cannot be alleviated, I will consider pulling him out of the District next year and doing a formal home-school program until the Covid Crisis has ended. Thank you for your consideration of my questions/comments!</p>
<p>Stephanie O'Brien</p>	<p>Thanks for your work to help our students and community thrive. My question may be better off being directed to the online committee, as I realize you may be inundated with comments and questions. Gina, I know you are on that committee, so I cc'd you here.</p> <p>1. Do the online programs that are being considered have components that will address the need for socialization among the elementary students while being physically distanced? If not, what measures are being taken to continue the community feel of our PV Schools for our younger students? Will this be addressed by the district or is this a school site consideration?</p> <p>Please keep in mind that our elementary students mostly lack the means or experience to successfully e-communicate in a meaningful way with friends, and some students haven't made a strong friend connection yet. We have started instruction on many campuses with the Second Step Curriculum, which has an adequate online component for social emotional instruction. While that is helpful, especially in conjunction with PBIS (and especially in person), it does not address the elementary need for socialization, especially with youth sports still likely canceled or severely limited. I am concerned that I would struggle to provide that socialization time during what I would want to use as academic instruction time, and it is likely there will be restrictions on student break times. While academic instruction and socialization need not be mutually exclusive, I felt it worth your consideration as meaningful connection with others is integral to developmental well being. I know that we in Palos Verdes Unified are building lifelong learners even as we muddle through the effects of COVID-19.</p>
<p>Surya Kalsi</p>	<p>In light of the uptick in Covid-19 cases through The US and CA in particular, what safety measures in additional personnel, classroom monitoring, cleaning crews, Methods and best practices is the district putting in place to ensure our precious children are kept safe?</p>

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Susy Yu	<p>President Seymour, Superintendent Cherniss, Board Members, and Staff:</p> <p>Thank you for convening the special Board of Education meeting and giving the public the opportunity to comment on the decisions that will impact all PVPUSD students and parents for the upcoming school year. The decisions made during this unprecedented time will have long reaching impacts on our students' futures, not just in their educational foundations, but also emotionally and developmentally. In person social interaction is critical in turning our children into well adjusted, responsible, kind adults.</p> <p>I am attaching a link to a recent publication from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) which provides guidance for school re-entry: "...the AAP strongly advocates that all policy considerations for the coming school year should start with a goal of having students physically present in school. ... Although many questions remain, the preponderance of evidence indicates that children and adolescents are less likely to be symptomatic and less likely to have severe disease resulting from SARS-CoV-2 infection. In addition, children may be less likely to become infected and to spread infection. Policies to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 within schools must be balanced with the known harms to children, adolescents, families, and the community by keeping children at home."</p> <p>The purpose of education is the growth and development of our students. The risk of infection in children is minimal, and the majority of families in the district do not have an immediate family member at risk. Time is of the essence; our children are maturing and growing in real time. Gaps in their education now will weaken the foundation of their academic progress in the future.</p> <p>I urge the Board to consider as much in-person classroom education as feasible.</p> <p>Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.</p>
Teresa Nagy	<p>As documented by the American Academy of Pediatrics vital to teaching the whole child is in person instruction. During this shutdown students have felt abandoned isolated and some in less than ideal situations. If PVPUSD is not going back full time in person on campus how are they going to address the psycho-social needs of the students in HS. Also the need for extra curricular activities be it sports, clubs, drama. Are a crucial part of the HS experience and general health and well being of students, How will PVPUSD address these needs ?</p>
Terry Ross	<p>I am a Peninsula resident of some 36 years. I note with approval that Cal State has elected essentially 100% remote teaching for the Fall. The system acknowledges effective social distancing is nigh well impossible between college students, thereby placing their classmates, teachers, administrators, family members and greater community at risk of virus transmission and all its attendant societal costs. (1) If college "adults" don't observe the recommended distancing rules, how can the district expect K-12 students to do so?  (2) And how will teachers and administrators have time to instruct effectively while they are spending much of their day policing student/student and student/faculty/administration interaction?</p> <p>Thank you for seeking community input.</p>

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Tessa Park	<p>For those teachers that intend to return on to the school campus to teach, undoubtedly, they will be trained in how to teach within school classrooms safely, and in compliance with state and county guidelines. Will these same “inschool”™ teachers ALSO be trained in online teaching, in the event that their class must become isolated or quarantined at home for a period (or extended periods) of time throughout the upcoming school year? We would hope to prevent a repeat of the “crisis teaching”™ situation that they had to go through before, and we must be realistic that “inschool”™ teaching may have to transition to online teaching if the pandemic situation worsens, or if cases of Covid-19 occur within a school.</p> <p>Thank you</p>
Tiffany Kao	<p>Can I choose homeschool if school reopens in September? Thanks</p>
Tom Long	<p>The district’s superintendent wrote to Governor Newsom expressing an unwillingness to enforce face covering and social distancing requirements. Is this the official policy of the district or will the district abide by public health orders and guidelines?</p> <p>Exactly what will the district be doing to minimize the risk of students becoming infected and being carriers of the virus?</p>
Yunqi	<p>Does the school plan to have some type of individual parent teacher conferences in fall for better communication?</p>
Yunqi	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Does the school plan to have some type of communication between parents and teachers in small groups to better communicate in the fall? Such as parent teacher conference . Since the parents will be partners</li> <li>2. Thank you for organizing the reopening committee. Is there any way we can provide some input to the committee?</li> <li>3. Will the school have some options for more flexible after school programs?</li> </ol>
	<p>One suggestion is to allow those willing to go back full time (teachers and students) to do so at specific locations and close down the other locations. Pvpusd will save money and the education will be much better than a hybrid situations. If there is a hybrid situation, every day for Half day is much better for children than 2 days a week. 2 days a week makes zero sense, as much of this time will be wasted with them eating lunch at their desk and pe. All things they can do at home. The learning is the part they cannot do at home. I am switching one of my daughters to private school and the other I am strongly considering switching too. The education last spring as sub par and a 2 day hybrid sounds like much of the same.</p>